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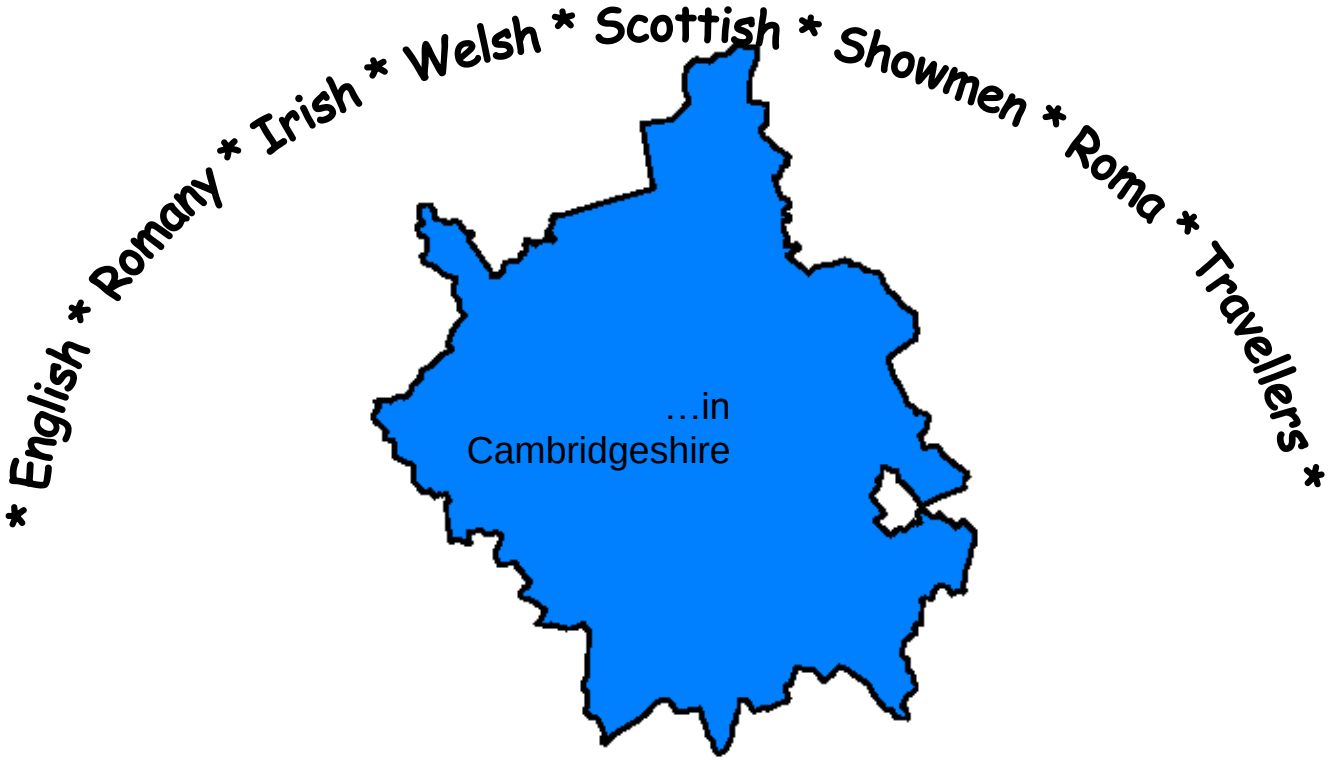

Traveller Health Team

The following team has been employed to address health needs within the Traveller Communities

The Traveller Health Team consists of….

- Lead Nurse from NHS Cambridgeshire
- Project Development Worker from Cambridgeshire Race Equality & Diversity Service Traveller Education Community Engagement Team
- Advocate from Ormiston Travellers Initiative
- Health Community Development Worker

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Ormiston Travellers' Initiative Advocacy Service

We provide a free Advocacy service working with you to speak up for what you want and get your rights.

We can help you to……

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- Say what you want to say
- Get people to listen to you
- Find things out
- Make choices
- Know what your rights are, and help you get them
- Find out about services you may want to use
- Complain if you are not happy with a service you use
- Find expert advice

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- We are not part of the Council, Police, Education or Social Services but we can help if you need to talk to them.

- We can make phone calls, write letters and go to meetings with you.

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Lead Nurse role

- Contact point for all Gypsy & Traveller issues for NHS Cambridgeshire
- Education and Cultural awareness raising in house & with partner organisations
- Direct Contact with Gypsy & Traveller communities
- Health screening
- Signposting & mainstreaming
- Health advocacy
- Enabling the community to access mainstream health care & enabling mainstream health care to access the community

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Themes so far

- Older preventative health
- Older people maintaining independence & quality of life
- Dental problems
- Access to mainstream services
- Antenatal care

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Traveller Health Team
Project Development Worker

- Supports Gypsies/Travellers accessing skills for life provision
- Liaises with colleges, services & agencies to encourage Traveller participation on mainstream courses and the running of targeted provision e.g. family first aid, healthy cooking courses
- Provide culture awareness sessions for services and other organisation
- Develop strategies to incorporate Gypsies/Travellers into mainstream funding sources and to support delivery of appropriate provision relevant to the communities
- The following are just some of the skills for life training sessions we have developed and worked with during the project…..

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Adult Learning Across the County

- Brickwork Level 2
- Welding level 2
- Floristry City & Guilds Course
- Literacy 1:1 home tuition
- Hairdressing
- Management courses
- First Aid
- Food Hygiene
- Mechanics
- Business Set Up
- Nail Technician

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1:1 Literacy Project in Fenland

- £8000 Funding from Roddon's Housing
- 8 Learners up to 1 years 1:1 literacy
- 1hr a week with tutor in their own homes

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East Cambs 1:1 literacy Project

- £5000 funding from Soham Children Centre
- 5 learners up to 1 years 1:1 literacy provision
- 1hr a week with a tutor in their own homes or group setting

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Success Stories

- 10 adults reached to-date in Fenland
- 1 now in employment and studying for an level 1 in Care
- 1 on the Job Centre's back to work 3 month course after they discovered he could read!
- 1 wanting to set up his own business
- 3 women in East Cambs completed an NVQ 2 in floristry and now hope to do the level 3
- 1 woman completing her National Test literacy at level 1 and won the star award at CRC for Community Learner of the Year and now is an advocate promoting adult learning within the Travelling Community!
- Over 50 people reached quarterly across the county wanting adult learning courses

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British Heart Foundation Project

- £70’000 Fenland Project
- £30’000 MUR Assessment Project piloted with local GP Surgery
- £40’000 1:1 literacy in Fenland targeting 25 people over 2 years

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Romany skills shown at children's centre

TRAVELLERS were the stars of the show in Soham when a Christmas-themed Romany and Gypsy craft day was held at the town's children's centre.

Travellers showcased traditional skills including Christmas decoration-making, waggon art, paper flower-making, Romany wreath-making and tab and candle arrangements.

There were also Roma caravans and trailers o display and talks about the Romany lifestyle.

Cambridgeshire Community Services' lead nurse Shaynie Larwood-Smith was als on hand to give free health checks to the over-40s.

The event was organised by Cambridgeshire County Council's community services tea

SKILLS: From left are Patricia Kegan, Annie Upton, Julie Brown, Cindy Upton and Caroline Taylor Picture: Keith Heppell 790627

Xmas Craft Event

- Wreath Making
- Trailers & Lorries Displays
- Outside cooking on Prop with Romany talks and memorabilia
- Wagon Art
- Candle & Table floristry arrangements
- Learning Champions advocates
- Health Champion advocate for Health Checks
- Several Activities Xmas themed for the children
- Several services promotion

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