

Noreen Khan 'Neesie'

The project is about facilitating activities that will encourage, empower and build the self-esteem of single mothers. It has great potential to increase their confidence. A ripple effect will enable them to become beacons for their children and ambassadors for the Bradford District. The project works with women from a broad spectrum of diverse backgrounds.

Fiona Broadfoot 'Build a Girl'

'Build a girl' is an amazing project founded by Fiona Broadfoot. She campaigns on various national and international domestic and sexual violence organisations. She also leads workshops to explore the societal pressures that limit growth and to help design inner confidence. The focus of the project is young girls in the areas of personal development, career development and skills.

Keira Martin

The evening performance of '**Here Comes Trouble**' by Keira Martin is a rigorous personal investigation into womanhood and identity. Keira rhythmically weaves together traditional music, authentic song and dance as she shares hard hitting and heart-warming chapters of her life to courageously address stereotypes and challenge labels.



Thanks go to all those who have helped to organise this International Women's Day Conference, particularly to everyone at Kala Sangam for supporting us in making this a special day, and to all who have attended.



Sorooptimist International Yorkshire

International Women's Day Inspirational Women: Power of a Second Chance

Thursday 8th March 2018

Yorkshire Regional President Chris Clark welcomes you to Kala Sangam and hopes you enjoy the conference.



International Women's Day Programme

Chairwoman — Pat Shore, MBE, SI Harrogate and District

10.30am Coffee and tea will be served

11.00am Welcome by Regional President Chris Clark

11.05am The Lord Mayor of Bradford, Councillor Abid Hussain

11.20am Adeeba Malik, CBE Deputy Director
Quest for Economic Development Foundation

12.00pm Kersten England, Chief Executive
Bradford Metropolitan District Council

12.40pm Lunch

1.20pm Kongosi and the Congolese Choir

1.45pm Noreen Khan, '**Platform to prosperity**'

2.30pm Break

2.45pm Fiona Broadfoot, '**Build a girl**' workshop

5.00pm Review of the day

5.30pm Tea and cake

6.00pm Performance by Keira Martin,
'**Here comes Trouble**'

The Lord Mayor of Bradford Councillor Abid Hussain

Councillor Abid Hussain was born in Mirpur in Pakistan and moved to the UK in 1971, at the age of 12, with his family.

He became an elected Member for the Keighley Central Ward in 2010 and is currently Chair of the Education Appeals Panel.

Councillor Hussain is greatly interested in helping to improve Council services and boosting the district's profile. He also enjoys fund raising for charity and has a keen interest in educational matters. He enjoys meeting different people from all walks of life.

Adeeba Malik CBE

Adeeba was born in Bradford and trained as a teacher in Hull. She returned to Bradford and taught in a school before she joined QED in 1992 as a Language Development Manager. In her current role Adeeba manages a number of social, educational and economic projects. She has extensive experience of working with public, private and third sector organisations on equality and diversity projects. She has also led projects in Pakistan in particular pre-departure programmes. She has served on many regional and national boards across Whitehall and the public/voluntary sector.

Kersten England

In 2015, Kersten England took on a major role as Bradford Council's new Chief Executive, with responsibility for over 17,000 staff and a multi-million pound budget across one of the largest local authorities in the country.

Despite her Edinburgh accent she regards herself as a bona fide Bradfordian, having lived and worked here for most of her adult life as well as bringing up her children in the city.

Trinity All Saints CE Primary School

During lunch some children from Trinity All Saints CE Primary School will be sharing their storyboards about women who inspire them with the conference delegates.