

## **NATIONAL ROMA NETWORK FORUM – TERMS OF REFERENCE**

### **Purpose**

1. The purpose of the National Roma Network Forum (NRNF) is to improve migrant Roma integration across the UK for the benefit of all communities.

### **Core objective**

2. The NRNF's core objectives include:
  - To enable and support a national strategic approach to migrant Roma integration in the UK
  - To ensure a more joined-up approach to migrant Roma integration across sectors including Central Government, Local Government, other statutory organisation, voluntary sector, Roma groups and individuals
  - To increase Roma participation and involvement in policy across the UK
  - To ensure a strong united voice in influencing policy and practice affecting migrant Roma at national and local level
  - To enable exchange of information and share good practice

### **Accountability and Key Relationships**

3. The Metropolitan Migration Foundation provides funding for Migration Yorkshire to develop and support the National Roma Network as determined in the funding agreement.
4. The National Roma Network Work Group (NRNWG) acts as an advisory group to the National Roma Network project.

### **Working Arrangements**

#### Chairing Arrangements

5. The Chair will be the Head of Migration Yorkshire and the Co-Chair will be a member of the migrant Roma community.

#### Membership

6. The core membership of NRNF will include:
  - Voluntary and community sector
  - Roma community groups and individuals
  - Local Authorities
  - National Government departments
  - Other statutory organisation (health, education, police)

- Universities and Researchers
- Gypsy and Traveller groups and individuals
- Funders

There is no limits to NRNF membership, however MY might need to restrict the number of people attending NRNF meetings due to venue capacity. This will be done in a way to ensure there is fair regional representation.

7. Further representation onto NRNF may be sought on an *ad hoc* basis. This will allow NRNF to respond flexibly to issues that arise.

#### Secretariat Support

8. Secretariat and policy support will be provided by the Migration Yorkshire team.

#### Meeting Arrangements

9. The NRN normally meets three times per year.

#### Travel Expenses

10. Travel expenses are available for migrant Roma attendees described in the Travel Expenses Policy