



Participation Projects Summary

Name: Keith McKenzie

Role: To use my experience, insight, observations and perspectives to participate in projects, groups and initiative to make sure that key decisions does not compromise many people's circumstances., community identity

- Community Participation Overview

- Local advocacy

I'm a member of your hone Scrunity with Bournville Village Trust. In the group I have taken part in different aspects of services related to social housing & a housing association .

As part of the membership I had to honour to be nominated represent Bournville Village Trust to attend the national Scrunity vonferences when I have took part on different aspects to enable greater voices for tennanta of social housing. The event took place at. Loughborough university and was organised by the organisation Tpas (National Tenancy Advisory Service)

Safety travel participation

A special study was developed jointly by West Midlands Safety Travel Partnership (A partnership led by Transport for West Midlands) and National Neurodiversity Training. This includes a variety of developments including taking part in a video campaign for National Neurodiversity Training to highlight safety matters on Public transport. I appeared on an educational video with detailed aspects on public transport safety. This was distributed to public transport staff and travel safety officers across the public transport system across the west Midlands including the police forces, Transport for West Midlands and the operators.

Redditch Community Forum

Until mid 2023, I took part in a community meeting organisers by Redditch Borough & Bromsgrove District Councils to enable represented voices across all sections of communities.

- Public events

Transport related consultation

Under group participation on both Transport for West Midlands and West Midlands Combined Authority.

This covers providing by viewpoint and suggestion on different fixture such as online & digital presentation, the functioning on using digital apps, marketing, passenger information and much more

United response on a disability hate crime survey on Public Transport

I tooke part of an event where the support charity conducted questions for me and other attendees to answer on different aspects of safety when using public transport.

Hate Crime

I have attended a number of crime related events and gathered from West Midlands Police, Disability Rights UK and Birmingham Community Safety Partnership

Events

I was part of the special participation group which led to the part of the homeless conferences which involved young people to find solutions to combat homeless in young people. This was organised by the public authorities youth services department across Worcestershire. See under collaberations for the transport summit "journeys for everyone"

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- Collaborations

- Key Community Projects

- Awareness initiatives

Autism West Midlands

The charity has supported my initiative to support the Asperger syndrome surgery in connection with different regional support charities across the UK. The survey enables autistic people to have their voices. Especially when there are many research organisations who take advantage of autistic voices with lack of represented insight.

- Dance participation

Dancing Conventions Motion City & NYE Fest

Volunteering, Dancing inclusive guides, developing celebration surprise, information guides for volunteers, event floor plan map, transport connections guide, local facilities guide

Salsa with Pauline

Through friendships with Pauline Caffery I became a salsa dance class assistant since 2018

- Creative contributions

Birmingham Design Festival

The design industry organised supported a social article for Neurodiversity Celebration Week with an emphasise to embrace the neurodivergent talent in the design industry

Salsa with Pauline

Since my participation I have provided digital marketing of the classes on social media

Broadway Dance Centre

Between 2022 & 2024 I provided some marketing materials to promote their classes & workshops for adults & children

- Impact on Birmingham

- Council campaign involvement

In 2022 I participate in a video campaign for Birmingham City Council as a featured community participant which Showcase The legacy off the city since it hosted the commonwealth games in 2022.

- Local organisations engaged

Transport for West Midlands

I am part of the user experience group to improve the customer experience and to improve how information is presented.

I took part in a transport accessibility summit and took part in many participation tasks including user experience on local railway and the proposed franchising of the local bus network in the West Midlands

For the help of West Midlands Safer Travel Partnership, I have two parts in a research on how to improve passenger information with the products team to find ways to enable greater confidence on integrated Transport journeys. This

involves a face-to-face meeting and to provide a publication on my analysis, suggestions and solutions related to passenger information and signage.

This combines my creative design background and lived experiences as a neurodivergent passenger.

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Music related projects & events

King of the Beats

This music related project is developed & directed by my friend Pritt Kalsi (film maker, music producer) which involves legendary and up & coming music producers & artists

Music challenge

A family of videos documentaries & competition events which challenge producers to develop original true hip-hop with a sound inspired from the 20th Century which incorporates samples of music purchased at record shops with a limited budget.

Since 2018 my involvement includes filming on location at record stores.

The contenders and participants taken part on the earlier video projects includes The Creators, The Nextmen, The P Brothers, Beyond Three, Key Figures, The Unsung heroes, Sparkii Ski, DJ Mr Thing, P Body (from Australia), Si Spex, Joe Maximus, DJ Priority (USA), Devastate (formally a member of the Demon Boyz), DJ Pogo.

Originally this project was a challenge only on video and it has developed into a series of DVD premieres, record releases, live challenges, live tours and DJ Club nights. Also I have participated with a combination of filming and behind the scenes assistance at film screenings (Birmingham & Leicester) & competition events (London & Birmingham)

Some of the contenders who has taken part at the competition events include:

Tha 4orce, Ed Strong, Solomon Caine, Kewba, D'lux Beats, Mike Bandoni (funkshone), Scratch Professor, Pappa Dusty Fingaz, Prone, Chemo, Iron Brandz, Solomon Caine, Myke Forte, Waxer Disco Scratch, Mr Extract, OMC, Fidel Castro and Frank Costa

Regular teams at the live events include Sparkii Ski, Dj Devastate, Tha 4orce and DJ Random (Steel Devils).

The club nights includes the Sound Clash in London and the Party Groove club nights in Birmingham including special guests from New York City

Jazzy Jay and an album launch party for local artist Emcee & beatboxer Madflow.

The London based events took place between 2019-2011

The location includes:

The Vibe Bar near Stratford East London

Hare & Hounds Kings Heath, Birmingham

Bulls Head Moseley, Birmingham

and in Leicester

In addition to the music challenge, I also partly participated in interviews, music concerts & focused documentaries

Artists featured include, Fred Beanz,

Beatnuts, O.C & AG and Fereai Sun

In addition I partly filmed a special document related to the tribute to Hip-Hop DJ & Producer, Paul C

The Diapeace

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Music related projects & events

The Diapeace

I was modelled in a photo shoot of me is featured as a music album cover for one of the legendary Hip-Hop producers and artists over the past 40 years.

The album cover is for The "Dia Peace" from Diamond D. This is his first major album from this Bronx (New York) based artist in over a decade. As part of promoting the album, a worldwide competition for design the artwork for the album cover design. The entry featuring me was designed and created by the director of the music & filming project King of the beats Pritt Kalsi sent an entry with a photoshoot featuring me in an environment with an urban New York Bronx feel.

This entry was the winner and it now featured an on album cover distributed worldwide as an LP cover, CD and the artwork for downloads including iTunes and onto MP3 music files.

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- Project & developments links

Neurodiversity & Transport initiative with Transport for West Midlands

<https://keithmckenzie.dudaone.com/special-transport-awareness-event-on-neurodiversity>

Attending the National Tennancy Conference

(Note to maintain my confidentiality Bournville Village Trust is not mentioned in the article)

<https://keithmckenzie.dudaone.com/taken-aprt-on-a-national-housing-event>

Involvement in the Timms Review with the Department for Work & Pensions

<https://keithmckenzie.dudaone.com/my-involvement-of-the-timms-review-consultation-for-the-government>

Latin dancing conventions in Birmingham

<https://keithmckenzie.dudaone.com/dancing-conventions>

Welfare reform consultation with Department for Work & Pensions

<https://keithmckenzie.dudaone.com/2nd-disability-consultation-publications>

Transport accessibility summit with Transport for West Midlands

<https://keithmckenzie.dudaone.com/transport-accessibility-summit>

Passegger information solutions with Transport for West Midlands

<https://keithmckenzie.dudaone.com/transport-participation-to-improve-connected-journeys>

Involved in a webinar to launched an expeminary region strategy

by West Midlands Combined Authority

<https://keithmckenzie.dudaone.com/participattion-in-a-disability-webinar-with-west-midlands-combined-authority>

The online link to an index page on my involvement of the King of The Beats projects

<https://keithmckenzie.dudaone.com/king-of-the-beats>

Participation developments index

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