

The Jo Cox Foundation and More in Common



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Jo's Sister**

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Intro to Me (Jo's Sister)



- **Background in Sales and then Health & Fitness industry**
- **Degree in Physical Activity, Health & Wellbeing**
- **H.E. Lecturer, Personal Trainer, Hockey Player**
- **NOT Party Political**
- **New to the Voluntary Sector, Campaigning, Public Speaking**
- **VERY PEOPLE FOCUSED**
- **No Agenda**
- **Different in some ways but in many ways very much like Jo....**

My Sister: kind, compassionate, shy



My Sister: MP, Campaigner, Activist, Humanitarian.... Proud Yorkshire Lass



The Jo Cox Foundation



Channels the energy and determination generated by Jo's life and murder into practical efforts to advance the causes she championed:

- Women in Public Life
- Protecting Civilians in Conflict
- Loneliness
- Building Strong Communities

Progress so far....



Today I pledge to
#LoveLikeJo.
I will

*Far more unites us
than divides us —
Jo Cox
1974-2016*



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“....what surprises me time and time again as I travel around the constituency is that **we are far more united and have far more in common than that which divides us.**”

Jo Cox MP, Maiden Speech

3rd June 2015



More in Common



- A national movement working towards **building strong and resilient communities** where everyone has a **sense of belonging and identity**
- Acknowledging the **changing face of communities**
- Focusing on the **things which we have in common** rather than the things which divide us
- **Counteracting the narrative of division & negativity**
- **Not party political**

More in Common Batley & Spen



More in Common, Batley & Spen – volunteer group who came together after Jo was killed:

3 main ways of developing and strengthening communities:

- **Community based events**
- **Partnerships & Networking** to develop a strong MIC network. Lots of win-win relationships across all 3 sectors (Public, Private & Voluntary)
- **Deeper Level Community Cohesion** - engaging with people who don't naturally embrace the MIC philosophy...

All interlinked of course...

The Great Get Together



- The Great Get Together is inspired by Jo Cox, who was killed on 16 June 2016.
- We believe there is a groundswell of people who reject divisive politics and simply want to bring our communities together and celebrate all that unites us.
- Over 300,000 people took part in The Great Get Together at over 45,000 events in the second Great Get Together on 22-24 June 2018.
- Locally - [GreatGetTogether2018](http://www.greatgettogether2018.org/)
- <http://www.greatgettogether.org/>



Run For Jo RunForJo2018

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The Big Batley Iftar & The Great Rugby League Get Together [Iftar](#)

#BatleyIftar

THE GREAT GET TOGETHER

JOIN US AT OUR GET TOGETHER BIG BATLEY IFTAR
BATLEY MARKET PLACE – BATLEY – WF17 5DA

Saturday 9th June 2018

Join us in Memorial Gardens (opposite Batley Library) from 8pm followed by Iftar in the Market Place for this year's **Great Get Together** big Iftar

From 8pm onwards
Food will be provided following the breaking of fast at 9:39pm (Iftar)
Prayer space will be available in the Memorial Gardens.
Please bring a prayer mat

**JOIN US FOR THE SECOND BIG BATLEY IFTAR.
LEARN ABOUT WHAT RAMADAN MEANS
AND SHARE IN A MEAL AT SUNSET.**

GMB Batley Churches Together Faiths in action IMWS IPEACE #MORE IN COMMON Big Iftar SE Seaside Centre Salford Centre BATLEY POETS

We take inspiration from Jo Cox quote, "We have more in common than that which divides us".

BETFRED

RUGBY LEAGUE

THE GREAT GET TOGETHER
Inspired by Jo Cox

BAYLEY BULLDOGS v **SHEFFIELD EAGLES**

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THE GREAT GET TOGETHER

Fox's Biscuits Stadium
SUNDAY 17th JUNE, 3pm

LIVE MUSIC

IPM – GB ASIAN RUGBY ACTION
BARA v BRITISH BULLDOGS

WOMEN'S RUGBY LEAGUE

DANCE FOR JO

KID'S RIDES & ACTIVITIES

FAMILY FRIENDLY
BAR AREAS
HOT & COLD FOOD

FREE ADMISSION!!
GATES OPEN FROM 1230

Schools event: Stepping into the Future [SITF](#)



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The Jo Cox Way Bike Ride

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The
Jo Cox
Way



Announcing Dates
for 3rd Jo Cox Way!

50 places
available
to cycle from
Batley to London

25th - 29th July 2018



@DrueKataoka

Bike Ride from Jo's constituency to London

Christmas 2017

► Christmas Great Get Together

#MincePieMoments

Mince Pies & Conversation

Tackling Loneliness

Building Community



More in Common: The Way Forward

- ▶ Community based events

The Great Get Together 2019

21st-23rd June 2019

- ▶ Partnerships & Networking
- ▶ Deeper Level Community Cohesion





THANK YOU FOR LISTENING

ANY QUESTIONS?

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