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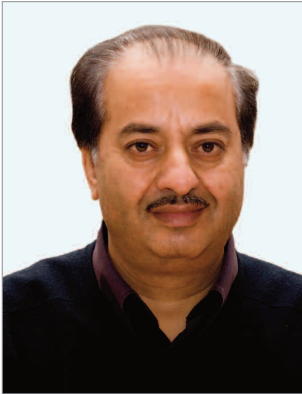


associate biography

Ishtiaq Ahmed

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Ishtiaq Ahmed is the Business Development Officer for the Bradford Council for Mosques. Since the organisations formation he has been involved in various roles including serving as General Secretary and since the mid 80's as Press Officer.

Ishtiaq came to the UK from Pakistan at the age of 10. In 1978 he was first employed as a community development worker with Bradford Council for Voluntary Services with responsibility for supporting community based self-help initiatives in the Black and Asian communities.

He joined Bradford Metropolitan Council's Directorate of Housing and Environmental Health in 1982 in the position of Training and Communication Officer. This position was a part Bradford council's initial recruitment to support the development of its Race Relations Initiative.

Moving to Calderdale Council in 1986 as Equality Advisor (Service Delivery) he was also elected at that time as the Chairman of the Bradford Racial Equality Council, a position that he held for 2 years.

Coming back to Bradford he took up the position of the head of Bradford Metropolitan Council for Voluntary Services in 1988 and in 1990 moved on to become the Director of Doncaster Racial Equality Council.

In 1997 he was appointed as the Director of Bradford Racial Equality Council and in the year, 2000 joined Kirklees Voluntary Action as a Principal Development Officer for the Huddersfield Pakistani Community Alliance.

Over the years Ishtiaq has actively contributed to developments in interfaith arenas both in Bradford, the UK and in Europe and has spoken at seminars and conferences in the UK and across Europe. He was a founding member of Bradford Minorities Police Liaison Committee and is a former member of the UK Inter Faith Network.