



# Political Affairs Digest

A daily summary of political events affecting the Jewish Community

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## Home Affairs

### High Court of England and Wales

#### **A and B (minors, by their uncle and litigation friend M) and Manchester City Council**

This judicial review concerns two brothers (the two claimants, whose identities are anonymised as A and B) who form part of a family and wider community of strict orthodox Haredi Jews living in north Manchester. ...

... the claimants challenge the decision by the defendant as the relevant local authority to offer respite placement accommodation for the boys in a residential home in the Greater Manchester area, known as Birtenshaw, instead of in an exclusively orthodox Jewish residential home in the London area, known as Bayis Sheli. The claimants contend that if placed in Birtenshaw the boys will be unable to manifest their strict orthodox Jewish faith, whether by complying with kosher dietary laws or by fully observing the Sabbath and other holy days. ...

... (a) the defendant does not challenge in any way the boys' right to manifest their strict orthodox Jewish faith; (b) the defendant has worked closely with Birtenshaw to prepare a care plan which would enable the boys to manifest their faith at Birtenshaw as far as considered practicable; (c) there has been close dialogue and co-operation between all parties, assisted by Rabbi Sofer to whom the parents and M defer in relation to matters of religious compliance ... (d) the claimants and Rabbi Sofer are not opposed in principle to a placement at Birtenshaw and the defendant is not opposed in principle to a placement at Bayis Sheli. The issues which divide them are: (i) whether the arrangements proposed for the placement at Birtenshaw will sufficiently allow the boys to manifest their faith; and (b) whether the advantages of the boys being placed close to the family home and schools outweigh the advantages of the boys being placed in Bayis Sheli where there is no impediment, and every opportunity, to their being fully able to manifest their faith. ...

I now refer to the defendant's updated care plans for the boys ... It is clear that the defendant and Birtenshaw have carefully considered the evidence and explanations provided by the claimants and Rabbi Sofer as to the relevant dietary and other religious observances and have made every effort to seek to accommodate them. ...

As regards A, the proposal is for him to be placed at Birtenshaw for 12 weeks for an assessment of his needs to formulate a long term care plan. ... The plan for days other than the Sabbath requires A to prepare, with support, simple kosher breakfasts and packed lunches and ready-made hot kosher evening meals. In terms of other religious observances he will be played pre-recorded prayers and blessings and will be assisted with religious requirements in terms of dressing and handwashing. For the Sabbath the routine is essentially the same, save that A will prepare his Friday evening ready-made hot meal using a slow cooker (because he is not allowed to start heating food on the Sabbath). He will be assisted to set the table for the Sabbath meal and pre-recorded prayers and blessings will be played. On the Saturday a mashgiach will attend for 1 to 1.5 hours to prepare the meal and perform all other religious observances. ...

As regards B, the proposal is for him to remain at home and have short respite breaks at Birtenshaw on one Sunday every fortnight ... from lunchtime until Monday morning ...

In his most recent witness statement Rabbi Sofer states that he is unable to approve these proposals for the following principal reasons.

In his opinion Birtenshaw could only be regarded as achieving kashrus status if a mashgiach was appointed to supervise its kashrus status. In his view this would include attending at Birtenshaw each evening mealtime for around 60 - 90 minutes ... It appears from his witness statement that the need for an appointed supervisor arises regardless of the issue as to the boys' mental capacity ...

In his opinion the Sabbath proposals proposed by Birtenshaw are unacceptable because electronic devices and recordings are forbidden to be activated on the Sabbath and because the Friday night meal could not be prepared or celebrated by A without a mashgiach or some other orthodox Jew being present. ...

In my judgment this proposal will not allow him to manifest his religion in worship, practice or observance, subject only to necessary limitations and, hence, will contravene art. 8 and art. 9 ECHR, for the following reasons:

(a) Unless arrangements can be made for a mashgiach or some other suitable observant orthodox Jew to attend Birtenshaw on Friday for the Sabbath Friday evening meal as well as on Saturday for the Sabbath Saturday lunchtime meal, so that a kosher meal may be prepared and consumed and the surrounding prayers and other religious observances performed on both occasions, A will be unable to keep kosher and participate in the necessary Sabbath observances which are a crucial part of his faith. ...

Unless suitable arrangements can be made to enable A to observe the required religious observances at Birtenshaw for Passover, or indeed any other holy days occurring during the 12 week placement, then again he will be unable to manifest his religion subject only to necessary limitations. Again, since Birtenshaw would not be willing to permit the attendance of a mashgiach or other non-staff orthodox Jew for anything other than one Saturday lunchtime, it is plain that - even leaving aside other observances particular to individual holy days or festivals - there would be a significant interference with his religious freedom and his family and private life. ...

In my judgment it cannot realistically be argued that these limitations are necessary for the protection either of A's own health or of the health or rights of his parents or siblings or of the other children at Birtenshaw. ...

As regards the alternative of attending Bayis Sheli, whilst it is true that there would be an adverse impact on A's ability to spend time with his family and on his existing education and post-school activity, given the relatively limited extent of planned contact with his family at Birtenshaw and given the availability of educational facilities and post school activities at Bayis Sheli it cannot realistically be argued in my judgment that this adverse effect is so important that it makes it necessary for A to be placed at Birtenshaw as opposed to Bayis Sheli. ...

As regards B, the position is different, since the proposal for one overnight stay every other Sunday does not have the same adverse impact on his freedom to manifest his religion. ...

... given his relatively young age and lack of development, he could not prepare and eat a kosher hot cooked evening meal, even if ready-made and even under supervision from a staff member ...

Nonetheless, I am satisfied that for one day each fortnight he could manage with a simple cold sandwich type meal for lunch and for dinner, or even a takeaway meal for dinner ...

... it follows that as regards A the claim succeeds whereas as regards B the claim fails. ...

In a case such as the present the court has to conduct an enquiry into, and conduct a balancing exercise as between: (a) the nature and extent of, and necessity for, the limitations on the boys' right to manifest their religion if placed at Birtenshaw; and (b) the risk of harm, whether in the short term, the medium term or the long term, to the health and welfare of the boys if placed at Bayis Sheli rather than locally. ...

... it is important to have regard to the wider benefits of being at Bayis Sheli. It seems to me that a placement at Bayis Sheli would offer A the advantage of building stable and enduring relationships and deepening his appreciation of his faith and culture in a way which would be more difficult when comparing the alternative of accommodation at Birtenshaw ...

**To read the full judgement see**

<https://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWHC/Admin/2021/455.html>

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## Holocaust

### House of Commons Written Answers

#### Floods: Victoria Tower Gardens

**Nickie Aiken (Conservative)** [165669] To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what long term estimates his Department has made of the level of risk of flooding in the proposed Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre site in Victoria Tower Gardens from a potential (a) breach of river wall or (b) overtopping of the river wall if water levels were to rise as a result of global warming.

**Rebecca Pow:** a) The Flood Risk Assessment required under paragraph 163 of the National Planning Framework, together with other associated assessments submitted by the applicant, has satisfactorily demonstrated that the integrity of the flood defence can be maintained throughout construction. This is subject to the actions of a detailed monitoring plan outlined within the application.

b) The applicant has demonstrated, through design and loading calculations, that the proposal will not preclude the requirement to raise the flood defences in the future as required by the Thames Estuary 2100 Plan.

It should be noted that while it may be impacted by this proposal, the flood defence is outside of the application boundary and will require cooperation between the applicant and the riparian owner to ensure that a continuous defence is maintained at all times.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-09/165669>

#### Floods: Victoria Tower Gardens

**Nickie Aiken (Conservative)** [165670] To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what long term risk assessment his Department has made of the (a) likelihood and (b) severity of possible flooding scenarios of the proposed Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre site in Victoria Tower Gardens over the next 100 year period.

**Rebecca Pow:** a) Victoria Tower Gardens, the location of the proposed Holocaust

Memorial, is located within Flood Zone 3 but is protected by the Thames Tidal flood defences up to a 1 in 1000 (0.1%) chance in any year flood event. However, the Environment Agency's most recent breach hazard modelling study shows the site to be impacted by flooding if there was to be a breach in the defences or they were to be overtopped.

The applicant has satisfactorily demonstrated that the structural integrity of the wall can be maintained throughout the construction phase of the development and that a continuous monitoring plan will be in place to identify any unacceptable movement within the wall together with contingency actions. The Environment Agency has requested that the requirements of the monitoring plan be secured by way of planning condition.

b) The Environment Agency's modelling highlights that a breach in the tidal flood defences, while a low probability, could have an impact due to the depth and velocity of the flood water, increasing risk to life. The applicant, in discussion with the Local Authority's Local Emergency Planning team, should assess the risks of internal flooding, access and exits of the building as part of a Flood Emergency Plan.

The Environment Agency does not assess or approve the adequacy of flood emergency response procedures accompanying development proposals as it does not carry out these roles during a flood.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-09/165670>

### **Floods: Victoria Tower Gardens**

**Nickie Aiken (Conservative)** [165671] To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps his Department has taken to (a) coordinate with the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government to ensure the latter Department duly considers the risk of flooding to the proposed Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre site in Victoria Tower Gardens in its planning consultation process, and (b) ensure that sufficient measures are taken to protect buildings in Thames Flood Zone 3 from an excessive risk of damages from potential flooding.

**Rebecca Pow:** a) The Environment Agency is a statutory consultee as outlined in the Development Management Procedure Order (DMPO) 2015. The Environment Agency formulates its response based on evidence and the requirements set out in the National Planning Policy Framework and associated Planning Practice Guidance (Flood Risk and Coastal Change). This was created by the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government.

b) Within the Thames Estuary, a complex network of defences, including nine major barriers, around 330km of walls and embankments, and more than 900 other structures (such as flood gates, outfalls and pumps), work together to protect over 1.4 million people and £321 billion worth of property from tidal flooding.

The current tidal flood defences protect to a one in 1000 year flood event. To meet the challenge of climate change and sea level rises, the Thames Estuary 2100 plan details the requirements to raise flood defences in order to protect homes and businesses.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-09/165671>

## **House of Lords Written Answers**

### **National Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre**

**Baroness Deech (Crossbench)** [HL13734] To ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Greenhalgh on 12 February (HL12786), whether the proposed UK Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre will have unlimited free entry; and what

measures are in place to ensure that costs can be met if the estimated £6 million annual running cost is exceeded.

**Lord Greenhalgh:** Entry to the Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre will be free. We are considering various operating models and will put in place a sustainable long-term plan.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-01/hl13734>

*The answer referred to above can be read at*

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-02-01/hl12786>

#### **National Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre: Construction**

**Baroness Deech (Crossbench)** [HL13735] To ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Greenhalgh on 12 February (HL12938), whether construction of the proposed UK Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre, if permitted, is projected to start before the £25 million aimed to be raised through charitable donations has been secured; and what measures are in place should they fail to raise £25 million.

**Lord Greenhalgh:** Funding arrangements will be in place before main construction begins.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-01/hl13735>

*The answer referred to above can be read at*

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-02-03/hl12938>

*The following two questions both received the same answer*

#### **National Holocaust Memorial Centre and Learning Service**

**Baroness Deech (Crossbench)** [HL13736] To ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Greenhalgh on 12 February (HL12785), who will hold management responsibility for the planned UK Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre; whether that Centre will own the leasehold; if not, who will be its leaseholder; and whether any such lease will include the whole of Victoria Tower Gardens or only that part occupied by the planned UK Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre.

**Baroness Deech (Crossbench)** [HL13737] To ask Her Majesty's Government, further to the Written Answer by Lord Greenhalgh on 12 February (HL12940), whether, in the event that any lease of the planned UK Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre relates to only the portion of Victoria Tower Gardens that it occupies, Royal Parks, as managers of the remainder of Victoria Tower Gardens, will receive an increased contribution to cover any additional running costs that result from the project.

**Lord Greenhalgh:** Decisions on the leasehold and management of Victoria Tower Gardens will be taken in due course.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-01/hl13736>

and

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-01/hl13737>

*The answers referred to above can be read at*

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-02-01/hl12785>

and

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-02-03/hl12940>

#### **National Holocaust Memorial Centre and Learning Service: Imperial War Museum**

**Baroness Deech (Crossbench)** [HL13738] To ask Her Majesty's Government whether there is a formal agreement between the Imperial War Museum and the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government or the UK Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre Foundation relating to cooperation or sharing of content of their respective Holocaust exhibitions; and whether agreement has been reached as to how the grant-in-aid to the Imperial War Museum will be affected by Government support for the UK

Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre.

**Lord Greenhalgh:** We have the benefit of the Imperial War Museum's (IWM) support and encouragement for the development of the UK Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre; no formal agreement is envisaged. Grants to the IWM is a matter for the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport and is not affected by the Holocaust Memorial and Learning Centre.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-01/hl13738>

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## Israel

### House of Commons Written Answers

#### Coronavirus: Israel

**Andrew Rosindell (Conservative)** [146796] To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on that country's policies to (a) encourage uptake of covid-19 vaccination and (b) tackle disinformation campaigns.

**Nadhim Zahawi:** The Department has had no such discussions.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-02-01/146796>

#### Coronavirus: Vaccination

**Gareth Bacon (Conservative)** [148046] To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on the effect of that country's digitised healthcare system on its covid-19 vaccination rollout.

**Nadhim Zahawi:** We have had no such specific discussions.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-02-02/148046>

#### International Criminal Court

**Bob Blackman (Conservative)** [162576] To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take in response to the February 2021 International Criminal Court ruling that it has jurisdiction over the West Bank, Gaza and East Jerusalem.

**James Cleverly:** We respect the independence of the ICC, and we expect it to exercise due prosecutorial and judicial discipline.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-03/162576>

*The ruling referred to above can be read at*

[https://www.icc-cpi.int/CourtRecords/CR2021\\_01165.PDF](https://www.icc-cpi.int/CourtRecords/CR2021_01165.PDF)

*A partly dissenting decision from Judge Péter Kovács can be read at*

[https://www.icc-cpi.int/RelatedRecords/CR2021\\_01167.PDF](https://www.icc-cpi.int/RelatedRecords/CR2021_01167.PDF)

*A partly separate decision from Judge Perrin de Brichambaut can be read at*

[https://www.icc-cpi.int/RelatedRecords/CR2021\\_01166.PDF](https://www.icc-cpi.int/RelatedRecords/CR2021_01166.PDF)

*The following two questions both received the same answer*

#### Occupied Territories: International Criminal Court

**Bob Blackman (Conservative)** [163208] To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 2 March 2021 to Question 154989, on Occupied Territories: International Criminal Court, what discussions he has had with his US counterpart on that ruling.

**Bob Blackman (Conservative)** [163209] To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 2 March 2021 to Question 154987 on Occupied Territories: International Criminal Court, what discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on the ICC's decision to open an investigation into alleged crimes committed in Palestine since 13 June 201.

**James Cleverly:** We respect the independence of the ICC, and we expect it to exercise due prosecutorial and judicial discipline. UK officials are in regular contact with US and Israeli authorities on a range of issues.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-04/163208>

and

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-04/163209>

*The answers referred to above can be read at*

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-02-19/154989>

and

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-02-19/154987>

*The ruling referred to above can be read at*

[https://www.icc-cpi.int/CourtRecords/CR2021\\_01165.PDF](https://www.icc-cpi.int/CourtRecords/CR2021_01165.PDF)

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#### **West Bank: Demolition**

**Paul Blomfield (Labour)** [163214] To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made to his Israeli counterpart on the demolition of the Musa family home in Al Khader.

**James Cleverly:** Our Ambassador in Tel Aviv raised ongoing demolitions with the Israeli Authorities, in a meeting alongside like-minded partners on 25 February. I called on Israel to stop demolitions on 5 February 2021 and raised my concerns about demolitions of Palestinian homes and structures with the Israeli Ambassador on 29 October 2020. UK officials from the British Consulate in Jerusalem have made regular visits to areas at risk of demolition and eviction to reiterate UK support for those communities. The UK is clear that in all but the most exceptional of circumstances, demolitions are contrary to International Humanitarian Law. The practice causes unnecessary suffering to Palestinians and is harmful to the peace process.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-04/163214>

*The Minister's call to stop demolitions referred to above, can be read at*

<https://twitter.com/JamesCleverly/status/1357723513940045824>

*The following two questions both received the same answer*

#### **West Bank: Demolition**

**Andy Slaughter (Labour)** [165462] To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent steps his Department has taken to end demolitions of Palestinian homes and structures and prevent forcible transfer of Palestinian communities, such as the Bedouin village of Humsa-Al Bqai'a in Area C of the West Bank.

**Andy Slaughter (Labour)** [165463] To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he plans to take in response to Israeli demolitions of Palestinian infrastructure and continued settlement expansion in the West Bank by Israel.

**James Cleverly:** The UK urged the Government of Israel to end demolitions of property in the West Bank at the UN Security Council on 25 February 2021. On the

same day, The British Ambassador in Tel Aviv raised ongoing demolitions with the Israeli Authorities in a meeting alongside like-minded partners. I (Minister Cleverly) publicly called on Israel to stop demolitions on 5 February 2021. Officials from the British Consulate General Jerusalem make regular visits to areas at risk of demolition, and visited Humsa Al-Baqai'a on 6 November 2020 to reiterate UK support for the community.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-09/165462>

and

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-09/165463>

*The UK speech at the UN referred to above can be read at*

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/working-towards-a-two-state-solution>

*The Minister's call to stop demolitions referred to above, can be read at*

<https://twitter.com/JamesCleverly/status/1357723513940045824>

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## Foreign Affairs

### House of Commons Written Answer

#### Religious Freedom

**Barry Sheerman (Labour Co-op)** [163145] To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to ensure that his Department promotes religious freedom throughout the world.

**Nigel Adams:** The UK is committed to defending freedom of religion or belief (FoRB) for all, and promoting respect between different religious and non-religious communities. Promoting the right to FoRB is one of the UK's longstanding human rights priorities. Ministers and officials regularly raise specific cases of concern, and discuss practices and laws that discriminate on the basis of religion or belief.

In 2019, the Bishop of Truro released a report commissioned by the then Foreign Secretary looking into the then FCO support for persecuted Christians, with recommendations to improve the lives of people persecuted for their religion, faith or belief. Of the 22 recommendations, we have fully delivered ten, made good progress on a further eight, and we are confident that all 22 will be delivered by the time of the independent review in 2022. The Minister responsible for Human Rights, Lord (Tariq) Ahmad of Wimbledon underlined the UK's commitment to FoRB for all in a number of international meetings in November 2020, speaking at the Ministerial to Advance FoRB and the Ministers' Forum of the International Religious Freedom or Belief Alliance ('Alliance'). On 20 December 2020, the Prime Minister reaffirmed his commitment to FoRB by appointing Fiona Bruce MP as his Special Envoy for FoRB. Mrs Bruce represents the UK at meetings of the Alliance who work to advocate for the rights of individuals being discriminated against or persecuted for their faith or belief.

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-questions/detail/2021-03-04/163145>

*The report referred to above can be read at*

<https://christianpersecutionreview.org.uk/storage/2019/07/final-report-and-recommendations.pdf>

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## Relevant Legislation \*\* new or updated today

### UK Parliament

#### **\*\* Animal Welfare (Sentencing) Bill**

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2622>

First Reading, House of Lords

[https://hansard.parliament.uk/lords/2021-03-12/debates/970E1828-FA82-475F-B66B-57BC6E992AC4/AnimalWelfare\(Sentencing\)Bill](https://hansard.parliament.uk/lords/2021-03-12/debates/970E1828-FA82-475F-B66B-57BC6E992AC4/AnimalWelfare(Sentencing)Bill)

#### **Assisted Dying Bill**

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2592>

#### **Domestic Abuse Bill**

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2709>

#### **Education (Assemblies) Bill**

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2579>

#### **Freedom of Speech (Universities) Bill**

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2820>

#### **Genocide Determination Bill**

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2621>

#### **Marriage Act 1949 (Amendment) Bill**

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2608>

#### **Marriage (Approved Organisations) Bill**

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2537>

#### **Marriage (Authorised Belief Organisations) Bill**

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2795>

#### **Marriage and Civil Partnership (Minimum Age) Bill**

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2584>

### Scottish Parliament

#### **Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Bill**

<https://beta.parliament.scot/bills/domestic-abuse-protection-scotland-bill>

#### **Post-mortem Examinations (Defence Time Limit) (Scotland) Bill**

<https://beta.parliament.scot/bills/post-mortem-examinations-defence-time-limit-scotland-bill>

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## Consultations

\*\* new or updated today

**The future of the [Welsh Government] Equality and Inclusion Funding Programme**  
(closing date 30 March 2021)

<https://gov.wales/future-equality-and-inclusion-funding-programme>

**Evidence for Equality National Survey (EVENS): Documenting the Lives of Ethnic and Religious Minorities in a Time of Crisis** (closing date 11 May 2021)

[bit.ly/evensurvey](http://bit.ly/evensurvey)

**Social Distance, Digital Congregation: British Ritual Innovation under COVID-19**  
(closing date not stated)

<https://bric19.mmu.ac.uk/take-the-survey/>

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