



# GYPSY, REALER AND TRAVELLER EDUCATION

AN INNOVATIVE CONFERENCE FOR EDUCATORS, PRACTITIONERS, AND STAKEHOLDERS. WITH THE AIM TO CHAMPION YOUNG PEOPLE FROM GRT COMMUNITIES, THIS CONFERENCE WILL COLLABORATIVELY LOOK AT HOW WE CAN HELP THEM TO STAY IN EDUCATION AS THEY MAKE THE JOURNEY FROM EARLY YEARS THROUGH TO HIGHER EDUCATION.

### 9.30-5PM | 16 JUNE

Julian Study Centre, University of East Anglia, Norwich NR4 7TJ

For further information or to register your interest in attending contact hum.outreach@uea.ac.uk

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Transition and Retention across the Student Lifecycle

The University of East Anglia, in partnership with Educator Solutions Norfolk, would like to invite all interested parties to an innovative conference on Gypsy, Roma and Traveller (GRT) education across the student lifecycle from Early Years to Higher Education.

The conference will revolve around the two strands of how we support young people from GRT communities to transition to the next stages in their education and how we ensure that we retain these young people in education.

Examples of best practice will be discussed on the day to showcase innovation in the education sector, and the key challenges in retaining and transitioning young people from GRT communities will be deliberated with the help of experts.

#### SPEAKERS

We are delighted to announce that the two key note speakers for conference are Dr Kate D'Arcy, senior research fellow at the University of Bedfordshire, and Ms Lisa Smith, a freelance Gypsy, Roma, and Traveller education consultant.

We will also be joined by Ms Chris Snudden, Assistant Director of Children's Services in Norfolk. Mr Dick Palmer. CEO of Norwich Ten Group, advocates for the GRT community, and schools from across Norfolk which have implemented best practice for their GRT students. We are particularly pleased to welcome representatives from Diss Children's Centre, Dereham Primary School, and Downham Market Academy to discuss how they have provided long-term support for their GRT students.

#### LIVE MUSIC

There will be an exhibition of various information stands throughout the day and the conference will conclude with live singing performed by Thomas McCarthy. Our hope is that this conference will create an inclusive and positive atmosphere to examine how GRT education can be improved in a collaborative and support manner.

#### **FREE ENTRY**

The conference is free to attend but must be pre-booked. It is possible to apply for travel reimbursement, please contact us to find out if you are eligible.

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