Inter Faith Week – handy checklists

Before the event

 Create a tasks list Find a venue or decide on 	Complete a risk assessment	Send out a news release about your project
a virtual platform Invite speakers or any other contributors Invite the audience 	 Make sure you have appropriate insurance Ensure that participants have DBS checks if necessary 	Ask two or three people to record details of your event while it is happening by making notes and taking pictures
 Register your project at www.interfaithweek.org/ submit Contact companies or bodies such as your local 	Make sure you have the necessary equipment, including software and a strong internet connection if hosting	Set up a sign-up or ticket webpage and ensure attendees know how and when they will receive the meeting link
authority to seek in-kind support Invite your MP or Mayor	online Let participants know where they need to be and when	☐ If you're chairing a virtual meeting, try to acquire a second computer monitor – it will make
Get any permissions you may need	Update your website with your event	things much easier

On the day: virtual events

- Ensure the meeting link and any passwords have been sent to attendees
- Test the meeting link to make sure it works, and check the settings to see if participants will be automatically muted etc.
- Set up any audiovisual equipment and ensure sound and picture quality is good

- ☐ If you're using a wireless headset, ensure it is charged
- Test screen-sharing, videos, and PowerPoint slides to ensure they function as expected in the meeting
- Make sure your internet connection is stable – use an ethernet cable to connect your device

directly to the router where possible

Begin the meeting early so you are ready to let people in from the waiting room on time



On the day: face-to-face events

- Arrive early to check all the facilities are as required – including any audio/visual equipment – and have all reception arrangements in place
- Meet and greet with staff or volunteers on hand to meet people and show them where to go
- If you are running an activity, keep a list of who has arrived or get them to sign in
- Put up signs including a big welcome sign

- You might want to ask visitors to fill out a simple monitoring form to give a sense, after the activity, of the diversity of people who have taken part
- Make sure you have brought any paperwork such as evaluation forms or a risk assessment
- Make sure that there is an identified First Aider and you know where the First Aid kit is
- □ Ensure that people taking part know where toilets,

changing areas and refreshment areas are, as well as fire escapes and meeting points in the event of an emergency

- If you are encouraging people to tweet from your event, display prominently #interfaithweek and any other any hashtag you are using
- Bring a camera to take pictures for your records, to tweet etc

After the event

- Tell the media of your success – have a news release ready to send to the national or local paper highlighting how your activity went
- Include a photo of the activity with the news release to add value to the story
 - Use social media to highlight your event

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- At the end of the event, thank the attendees, volunteers, supporters and sponsors
- Record feedback from participants, stallholders and volunteers
- Evaluate your own activity/event (see also the sheet on evaluating and learning)
- Fill in the online survey on the Inter Faith Week website – by learning from each Inter Faith Week, we can improve it for the future
- Send photos to the Inter Faith Network or tag @IFWeek – this helps us tell the story of the Week!

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