



Community Cohesion

A New Framework for Race and Diversity
Revised and Updated Edition

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TED CANTLE was appointed in 2001 by the UK Home Secretary to Chair the Community Cohesion Review Team. The subsequent 'Cantle Report' hit the headlines when it drew attention to the 'parallel lives' of different communities. It went on to make around 70 recommendations and the concept of 'community cohesion' was subsequently adopted by the UK government. Cantle is regarded as the founding father of 'community cohesion' and now leads the Institute of Community Cohesion, UK.



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