

## Meet the Equality and Cohesion Unit

### Our Purpose

To make equality and diversity and community cohesion a part of everything the County Council does.

To ensure the County Council can deliver on its 2010 commitment to be a national leader in diversity.

To develop a model for equality and diversity that addresses issues around community cohesion in a Cumbrian context.

### Who we are and what we do

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