



PCB Shares

Birmingham delivered: A purposeful step into the West Midlands

On Thursday 15 January 2026, we took an important step in our campaign to increase our presence in Birmingham and the wider West Midlands – and the outcome was genuinely encouraging.

The room was full. The conversations were real. And the message was clear: there is strong demand for values-led financial support that meets people where they are and that understands lived experience, community priorities and the realities of building businesses in today's economy.

Our sincere thanks go to our hosts Nathan Dennis and Sabrina Dennis for their leadership, generosity and partnership in making the evening a success. We're also grateful to the Legacy Centre of Excellence for hosting us so professionally and for creating a warm, welcoming space for the community.

Most importantly: thank you to all who attended – entrepreneurs, church leaders and community builders.

Your questions and insights didn't just enrich the discussion; they are helping to shape our next steps as we grow our presence in the Midlands.

Why Birmingham and now?

We're proud to serve members across the UK – from Glasgow to Norfolk, South Shields to Bristol and Cardiff – but our heartland has historically been London and the South East.



In 2026, we're changing that.

We're excited to begin expanding across Birmingham and the wider West Midlands – and we want to do it with the community, not just for the community. That means being present, listening well, building relationships and designing support that reflects what local founders and community institutions actually need.

Over the past few months, we've

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NOTICE: Pentecostal Community Bank 46th Annual General Meeting 2026

PCB will be hosting its 46th AGM on **Saturday 14 March** on the Zoom virtual meeting platform.

Members will receive their link to the meeting via email, along with the annual report and accounts.

Birmingham delivered

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been on the ground in Birmingham – meeting brilliant founders and community leaders, learning what's working, and hearing what's missing. This isn't a pop-in. It's a foray: a first step into deeper relationships, stronger connections and long-term impact.

Because, when you move with faith, vision and community, you can sense it: **something big is happening.**



Next stop: Health and Wealth

We're taking the learning and energy from January straight into the next Birmingham gathering:

Health and Wealth
Saturday 11 April 2026
10am to 5pm

At: Transformation Centre,
Aston Cross, 6 Rocky Lane,
Birmingham B6 5RQ

Tickets are available now at:
<https://tinyurl.com/r87pvtbw>

Partnership spotlight:

PCB and the Community, Corporate & Culture Awards 2026

We're delighted to announce a new partnership between PCB and the Community, Corporate & Culture Awards (CCCA). CCCA was created to recognise and celebrate those who contribute to the development and success of others, and who create inclusive environments where many can prosper. Through their sacrifice, legacy is built.

At the heart of the Awards is a clear purpose: to serve as a vital connector between organisations and the communities they aim to support – bridging the gap between corporate intentions and community realities. This work ensures that the voices, needs and aspirations of all communities – especially those who are often under-represented – are truly heard and addressed.

Empowering organisations

Our shared commitment is to turn good intentions into real outcomes. The Community, Corporate & Culture CIC centres its work on fostering meaningful partnerships that align corporate responsibility with tangible social impact. By offering insight, connection and support, they empower organisations to not only acknowledge their responsibilities, but to actively fulfil them through inclusive, community-focused initiatives that create lasting change.



That mission strongly resonates with PCB's values-led approach to financial inclusion and community empowerment.

A time to celebrate

We're proud to support the Community, Corporate & Culture Awards event on Saturday 21 March 2026. It will be a night of celebration, connection and inspiration, bringing together community builders, entrepreneurs, charities, creatives, faith groups and partners.

Community, Corporate & Culture Awards Event

Saturday 21 March 2026
Doors open at 5pm

At: Leonardo Royal Hotel London
Tower Bridge Hotel, 45 Prescot Street,
London E1 8GP

Purchase tickets online at:
[https://www.thecccawards.com/
product/the-ccc-awards-2026/](https://www.thecccawards.com/product/the-ccc-awards-2026/)

A powerful conversation on visibility, voice and influence

On Friday 9 January, we were delighted to host a highly engaging and thought-provoking webinar with Hayley Mulenda, focused on visibility, influence and personal branding.

The session created a reflective and encouraging space, inviting participants to think more deeply about how they show up, speak up and use their voice with intention and purpose.

Hayley Mulenda is an award-winning speaker, author and entrepreneur, widely recognised for her work on confidence, communication and purposeful leadership. She is the author of *Speak up: how to use your voice to inspire, influence and learn*. Hayley is also a trusted voice in the media and has worked with global brands, leaders and institutions, bringing depth, authenticity and practical wisdom to conversations about identity and influence.

During the webinar, Hayley shared insights drawn from her personal journey and professional experience, challenging the idea that visibility is about self-promotion. Instead, she reframed it as responsibility –

particularly for those whose experiences, skills and stories have the potential to encourage, inform or inspire others. A recurring theme throughout the session was audacity: the courage required to step forward, be seen, and grow into the next level of leadership and impact.

The session also explored personal branding as an expression of integrity rather than image. Hayley encouraged participants to gain clarity around who they are, what they do, why they do it and who their work serves, highlighting the importance of consistency and authenticity over time.

We were especially proud of the way the session was hosted by four of the brilliant young women from our Youth Shadow Board, who facilitated the conversation with warmth, professionalism and confidence. Their leadership helped create a welcoming and supportive



Hayley Mulenda
A Masterclass on Visibility, Influence and Personal Branding

environment that allowed the discussion to flow naturally and meaningfully.

We were pleased to offer a free copy of Hayley's book, *Speak up*, to the first 25 members who registered and attended the full webinar.

Finally, thank you to everyone who attended and supported the webinar. Your engagement made the event impactful. And our sincere thanks to Hayley Mulenda for her generosity, insight and inspiring delivery.

We look forward to continuing these important conversations and welcoming you to future events.

Calling the UK's Black entrepreneurs and organisations

PCB member Dr Carlton Brown is carrying out an important piece of research and we're pleased to share this opportunity.

The Black Entrepreneur Report 2026, is a timely, evidence-led update, designed to provide forensic insight into the realities of Black entrepreneurship in the UK.

If you are a Black African or Caribbean founder, business owner, or an organisation that supports Black enterprise, your experience matters.

Your input will help strengthen the evidence base used by policymakers, funders and institutions.

High-quality data helps to:

- influence policymakers with evidence (not assumptions)
- improve access to markets, finance and procurement
- inform buyers, investors and financial institutions
- shape more inclusive enterprise, economic and growth strategies
- unlock long-term social, economic and political impact.

The survey takes less than 10 minutes, but the collective impact could be substantial. Findings will be shared widely across government, industry, finance, and the investment community, helping ensure Black entrepreneurial voices are heard and acted upon.

Take part here:
<https://lnkd.in/eQKHrjkj>

Please also share within your networks and encourage participation. Every response strengthens the evidence.

How Ultra Education CIC is supporting your claim

By Chantal Brooks

The Windrush scandal remains one of the most significant injustices in recent British history.

For decades, members of the Windrush generation – individuals who arrived in the UK from Commonwealth countries between 1948 and 1973 – built lives, families and careers, only to be wrongly categorised as 'illegal migrants'. The resulting impact was devastating, leading to lost jobs and homes, and withdrawn access to essential services like healthcare.

In response, the UK government established the Windrush Compensation Scheme (WCS). However, navigating the legal complexities, and gathering the required decades-old evidence, can be an overwhelming task. This is where Ultra Education CIC steps in.

Providing a bridge to justice

Ultra Education CIC is proud to be a recipient of the Windrush Compensation Advocacy Support Fund (WCASF). Our mission is to ensure that no-one is left behind due to 'onerous bureaucracy'.

We provide a trusted, culturally sensitive environment where potential claimants can feel safe sharing their stories and pursuing the compensation they are rightfully owed.

We understand that for many, the trauma of the past makes it difficult to engage with official systems. Our advocates act as your personal partners throughout the journey, offering free and confidential support tailored to your unique circumstances.



Support in north and south London

To ensure our services are at the heart of the community, Ultra Education has deployed dedicated advocates across north and south London. Whether you are a primary claimant, a family member who has suffered a loss, or representing the estate of a loved one, our team is positioned to help you.

Our support includes the following.

- **Articulating your story:** helping you to document the full impact the scandal had on your life, so your claim is comprehensive.
- **Evidence gathering:** assisting in the difficult task of locating records, such as school reports, employment history, and old travel documents.
- **Application guidance:** walking you through the forms to minimise stress and maximise the chance of a successful outcome.

Community clinics

Information is power. Ultra Education hosts regular advocacy clinics and information events to demystify the process. Our weekly advocacy clinics

take place on Wednesdays (11am to 1pm) and Thursdays (7-9pm) at The Lewinson Centre, 167 High Road, London NW10 2SG.

Before attending, please call us on 0800 211 8133, or email us at: info@ultra.education

These clinics offer a space for one-on-one consultations. We also run 'Pop-up Hubs' and community information sessions, where you can learn about eligibility criteria – such as arrival dates before 1973 (Commonwealth) or 1988 (any country) – and the various categories of claimable loss, including housing, health and employment.

Take the first step

If you or someone you know has been affected by the Windrush scandal, you do not have to face the application process alone. Our advocates are here to provide the empathy and expertise needed to secure justice.

PCB member Chantel Brooks, from Ultra Education, will be attending the PCB AGM. But if you have any questions, please use the contact details above.



New year, same goals... But are you actually moving towards them?

A new year often brings renewed focus but, for many, 2026 is less about setting new goals and more about examining whether existing plans are being followed with intention. Wealth may provide flexibility, yet long-term success still depends on structure, discipline and regular review.

Recent insights from the Moneybox Financial Confidence Index 2025 highlight how financial engagement is shifting across the UK. Among those who described themselves as financially confident, 48% followed a budget, up from 33% the previous year, and 49% set long-term financial goals, compared with 34% in 2024.

Confidence in investing also increased, rising from 33% to 39%. These trends don't suggest a single 'right' approach, but they do indicate that many individuals are becoming more intentional about how they manage their finances.

The start of 2026 offers an opportunity to pause and reassess. Are you actively implementing your financial plan, or relying on assumptions made years ago? Are your spending patterns aligned with your long-term objectives? Are you regularly reviewing your financial plan to ensure it still supports the future you envision?

This year doesn't demand new goals; it calls for a refreshed

**Financial advice
from Jerran Whyte of
Belvedere Wealth
Management**

mindset, one that prioritises clarity, consistency and accountability. Taking time now to evaluate your progress can help ensure your finances continue to support the life, legacy and impact you intend to create down the line.

To explore how your plans align with your long-term goals, speak to an adviser at Belvedere here: <https://bit.ly/BelvedereWM>

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IWELTIC (International Women Entrepreneurs Leadership, Trade & Innovation Conference) 2026

Long-standing PCB member, Glynis Nathan, is Executive Director of Global Community Enablers, who are hosting this three-day, international conference event.

EA Global in Conference & Partners are proud to present this conference, which is designed to support, connect and elevate women entrepreneurs within the global economy.

Dates: 11-13 March 2026

Venue: London South Bank University, 103 Borough Road, London SE1 0AA.

IWELTIC 2026 will bring together women entrepreneurs, business leaders, policymakers, trade representatives, investors and corporate partners from the UK and across the globe. The

conference programme will focus on leadership development, international trade opportunities, innovation and sustainable business growth, with particular attention on women-led enterprises.

The conference is being delivered by EA Global in Conference, an organisation committed to creating platforms that enable inclusive economic participation, international collaboration and sustainable enterprise growth, particularly for women and underserved communities.

IWELTIC 2026 is open to:

- women entrepreneurs and founders

- SMEs and business leaders
- trade and investment professionals
- financial institutions and corporate partners
- policymakers, advisors and ecosystem builders.

To access the conference, register at: <https://tinyurl.com/45ptwmsu>

IWELTIC 2026 offers a valuable opportunity to engage with a global network, gain practical insights, and be part of shaping the future of women-led enterprise and international trade.

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WIZFIT STUDIOS

Your strongest year starts here

A new year brings a fresh sense of motivation, a natural reset button. It's the time we all start thinking: 'This is the year I prioritise my health, feel stronger, move better and create routines that truly stick.'

At WIZFIT STUDIOS, we believe January and February aren't about quick fixes, extremes or punishing workouts. They are about building a healthier lifestyle that fits you, your schedule, your energy levels, your goals and your starting point.

Whether you are brand new to training, returning after a break, or simply ready to level up your fitness, WIZFIT is here to guide you step by step, in a way that feels achievable, enjoyable and sustainable.

Who we are

WIZFIT STUDIOS is more than just a fitness studio. It's a space built on community, consistency and personal progress. We exist to help people feel better in themselves, physically and mentally, by creating a supportive environment where every client feels welcomed, valued and motivated.

We're proud to be different from the typical gym experience. We don't take a one-size-fits-all approach. We don't believe in copying generic workouts from the internet and we don't expect you to 'figure it out' alone.

At WIZFIT, we focus on building confidence and results through a training experience that's personal, structured and genuinely supportive.



Bespoke training that fits your life

One of the biggest reasons people struggle to stay consistent with their health is because they follow routines that were never designed for them. Generic plans can feel overwhelming, unrealistic or simply unenjoyable and, when motivation dips, it becomes easy to fall off track.

That's why WIZFIT takes a bespoke approach to every single client. We take the time to understand:

- your goals (fat loss, strength, performance, mobility, confidence)
- your starting point and training background
- any injuries, limitations or concerns, and
- what motivates you, what holds you back and what you genuinely enjoy.

From there, we build a plan around you. No guesswork, no confusion and no wasted effort. Whether your journey involves one-to-one coaching, small group sessions, or a blend of training styles, you'll always receive expert guidance, clear structure and ongoing support.

Community makes consistency easier

Exclusive PCB member offer for February 2026

To help PCB members kickstart 2026 with confidence, WIZFIT STUDIOS is offering an exclusive deal for February 2026:

- 26% OFF your first month
- PLUS a FREE fitness consultation & goal-setting session – a chance to meet the team and discuss your goals, with zero pressure to commit.

Spaces are limited for the February intake. To claim the offer, mention 'PCB February offer' when booking.

WIZFIT STUDIOS is at:

520A Purley Way, CR0 4RE

Phone: 020 3859 5461

Web: www.wizfitness.co.uk

Instagram: @wizfitstudios

and WIZFIT STUDIOS is proudly community-focused. We train together, encourage each other and celebrate progress at every stage.

Make this year different. Build your long-term fitness with WIZFIT STUDIOS.

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