The NEW Common Charter

for cooperation within and between these islands

Empowering civic society to drive cooperation, North-South and East-West

promoting strengthening
facilitating sharing engaging
increasing contributing
encouraging improving

Recognising the importance of:

- Maintaining and strengthening family ties and friendships that cross borders
- Sharing of local resources & services across boundaries
- Increasing opportunities to share information, knowledge of policy and best-practice
- Improving policy-making by matching it to realities on the ground
- Identifying cross-border opportunities to collaborate to solve shared problems or exploit common resources
- Promoting cross-border friendly relations and allow for difficult conversations
- Promoting a civil society that values diversity and is able to disagree respectfully
- Facilitating the exploration and celebration of culture and heritage with a view to future cooperation
- Encouraging and developing community leadership
- Contributing to our common safety and wellbeing
- Engaging with and supporting human rights, particularly for the most isolated and marginalised in our communities.

If interested in joining, or for more info, please contact **ccbs@qub.ac.uk** at the Centre for Cross Border Studies.