Dear [insert name]

On April 22nd 2021, Community union is working with the Stephen Lawrence Day Foundation to promote the life and legacy of Stephen Lawrence.

Stephen Lawrence was brutally murdered on 22 April 1993, in an unprovoked racist attack.

Stephen had his life cut short simply because of the colour of his skin. Like any other young person, he had dreams and aspirations – but his were denied.

The impact of his death has been profound in this country; laws have been changed. It led to profound cultural changes in attitudes towards racism, to the law and to police practice. It also paved the way for a greater understanding of discrimination of all forms and new equalities legislation.

Last year, the tragic death of George Floyd once again brought systemic and structural racism to the forefront of the public imagination. It showed us that despite the significant progress made over the past few decades, there is still so much more to do.

Stephen Lawrence Day reminds us all of the role we all have to play in creating a society free from racism and prejudice. It affects people inside and outside the workplace – whether that be discrimination, access to decent jobs, equal pay or the disproportionate deaths that BAME communities have suffered from Coronavirus.

Community are offering the opportunity to host joint events, training, workshops and webinars with employees, to promote diversity and inclusion in our workplace. I would like to recommend we take them up on their offer.

For more information, visit <https://community-tu.org/about-community/equalities/stephen-lawrence-day-2021/> or email [equalities@community-tu.org](mailto:equalities@community-tu.org)

Best wishes,

[insert your name]