

Report of the Director of People and Improvement

Social Inclusion Working Group Work Map - Feedback from Community Representatives

Summary

1. The attached Annex 1 has been produced following a request from community representatives co-opted to the Group at the meeting on 21 November 2007, for information circulated in a table at that meeting to be presented in written format before it is discussed at the January meeting.
2. Community group representatives are requested to give feedback from their groups regarding the contents of the Work Map which will then be considered during the SIWG development day in February 2008.

Background

3. Annex 1 lists the objectives of SIWG and work areas covered by the Group in 2006/7 and 2007/8 in particular. It is an aid to memory to assist community group representatives in offering feedback from their groups on details previously circulated.

Consultation

4. The table has been amended and presented in its current format, following requests from community group representatives who are co-opted to serve on the Group about presenting information in a more accessible format.
5. Community representatives were requested to discuss the issues outlined in Annex 1 with their groups and feed any views to this meeting.

Options

6. N/a

Analysis

7. N/a

Corporate Strategy

8. Feedback from community representatives contributes to the promotion of inclusive and cohesive communities.

Implications

9. These are as follows:

- **Financial** - None
- **Human Resources (HR)** - None
- **Equalities** - Feedback from community representatives co-opted to serve on the Group greatly contributes to the promotion of inclusive and cohesive communities and stems from the Council's equalities aims and objectives as outlined in the Equality Strategy 2005-2008.
- **Legal** - None
- **Crime and Disorder** - None
- **Information Technology (IT)** - None
- **Property** - None
- **Other** - None

Risk Management

10. N/A

Recommendations

11. To note feedback from community group representatives for discussion at the Social Inclusion Working Group Development Day in February 2008.

Reason: To collect and note views from community groups to inform the discussion at the SIWG Development Day in 25 February 2008.

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Wards Affected:

All

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Background papers – None

Annexes- Annex 1: Social Inclusion Working Group Work Map

Annex 1 – Social Inclusion Working Group Work Map

Objective 1 : Advise CYC Executive on Equality issues in general or in relation to major CYC projects and initiatives

Work done July 2006 to December 2007 -

SIWG minutes are circulated to Executive and particular issues are raised by the Chair of SIWG.

Planned to March 2008 -

Planned sessions for representatives from each of the six Equality strands to meet with Executive Member for Social Inclusion and Youth

To do in 2008/9 - *To consider at Development Day*

Objective 2: Extend and build contact with groups and individuals involved in Equality issues in YORK to facilitate equality related input into CYC policy and plans, and provide opportunities for all citizens to influence the CYC equalities agenda

Key issue 1: EMPLOYMENT

Done July 2006 to December 2007 -

- Age Discrimination and HR policies- Retirement (2006/7)
- Diversity of Council workforce (2006/7)
- FUTURE YORK report (September 2007)

Planned to March 2008 - Antipoverty Strategy discussion

To do in 2008\9 – *To consider at Development Day*

Key issue 2: INFLUENCE SERVICE DELIVERY

Done July 2006 to December 2007 – CIL feasibility study presentation and suggested next steps

Planned to March 2008 – N/A

To do in 2008/9 –

- CIL development - May 2008
- Easy@york update – May 2008
- *Other items to consider at Development Day*

Key issue 3: INVOLVE AND ENGAGE COMMUNITY GROUPS

Done July 2006 to December 2007 –

- a. Making community groups meetings accessible and inclusive:
 - Funding to facilitate group meetings
 - Funding for community group newsletters, topical forum meetings etc
- b. Support engagement with the wider community:
 - Two CYC Equality Conferences in June 2007
 - Options to involve young people in SIWG discussed (2006/7)
 - Regular young people involvement updates

Planned to March 2008 – Review of disability organisations/disability forum (to continue in 2008/9)

To do in 2008/9 – *To consider at Development Day*

Key Issue 4 : NEEDS IDENTIFICATION

Done July 2006 to December 2007 – Sexual orientation monitoring: A way forward (2006/7)

Planned to March 2008 – Review of disability groups/forum (to continue in 2008/9)

To do in 2008/9 - *To consider at Development Day*

Key Issue 5: SIWG ENGAGEMENT WITH STRATEGIC ISSUES

Done July 2006 to December 2007 –

- FUTURE YORK report (September 2007)
- YORK COMMUNITY STRATEGY refresh (September 2007)

- Understanding and participating in Council Comprehensive Performance Assessment (Sept 2007)
- Anti-Poverty Strategy (November 2007)

Planned to March 2008 –

- Council priorities 2008-2011 (January 2008)
- BME Stakeholders Conference Oct 2007 – Next Steps (January 2008)
- Council Equality Strategy 2008-2011 (February 2008 Development Day) .To continue in 2008/9

To do in 2008/9 - *To consider at Development Day*

Key Issue 6: INCLUSION

Done July 2006 to December 2007 – York Antipoverty Strategy (November 2007)

Planned to March 2008 – York Anti Poverty Strategy: Support for York Smart Card

To do in 2008/9 –

- DisableGO update - May 2008
- *To consider at Development Day*

Key Issue 7: DEVELOPING SIWG

Done July 2006 to December 2007 –

- Improvements to the Group (discussion September 2007)
- Funding Framework for Group budgets 2008/9 (January 2008)

Planned to March 2008 – Development Day: 25 February 2008

To do in 2008/9 - *To consider at Development Day*

Objective 3: Provide a link with Ward Committees so that Equality issues which are raised there are taken further

Done July 2006 to December 2007- N/A

Planned to March 2008 - Discussion with Ward Committee officers about way forward

To do in 2008/9 -

- Formulate and test pilot approaches
- *To consider a Development Day*