



Notice of meeting of

Social Inclusion Working Group

To: Councillors Aspden (Chair), Alexander, Sue Galloway, Gunnell

(Vice-Chair), Healey, Potter and Sunderland

Non-voting Co-opted Members:

Jack Archer - Older Peoples Assembly, Sue Lister - Older Peoples Assembly,

Peter Blackburn - LGBT Forum, Karen Roberts - LGBT Forum,

Rita Sanderson - BME Citizens' Open Forum, Daryoush Mazloum - BME Citizens' Open Forum,

Jan Jauncey - York Interfaith

Lynn Jeffries - Disabled Peoples Forum and Paul Wordsworth - Churches Together in York

Date: Wednesday, 12 March 2008

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Clementhorpe Room, Priory Street, York

AGENDA

1. Declarations of Interest

At this point Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.

2. Minutes (Pages 3 - 20)

To approve and sign the minutes of the last meeting of the Group held on 16 January 2008. An "easy read" version of these minutes is also attached for members consideration.



3. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Groups remit can do so. Anyone who wishes to register or requires further information is requested to contact the Democracy Officer on the contact details listed at the foot of this agenda. The deadline for registering is Tuesday 11 March at 5.00pm.

4. Social Inclusion Working Group Budget (Pages 21 - 26) Principles.

This report outlines the principles that will guide the distribution of Social Inclusion Working Group project budgets in the future and members are requested to approve these principles.

- 5. Social Inclusion Working Group Membership. (Pages 27 32) This report summarises discussions during the Development Day on 25 February 2008 between members and community group representatives regarding membership of the Group. Members are requested to approve the involvement of expert witnesses in future Group meetings.
- 6. "Pride in Our Communities" Equality Strategy (Pages 33 60) 2005-08: Second Year Update.

This report outlines progress, to December 2007, on each of the six improvement themes of "Pride in our Communities", the Council's Equality Strategy and plans for 2005-08.

7. Equality Strategy 2008-11 : Equality Issues the (Pages 61 - 68) Council should consider in the next 3 years.

The report summarises issues that the Council need to consider and take on board in its Equality Strategy and schemes during 2008-2011. In connection with this, Members are requested to approve a one off grant to each of the five community groups, currently coopted to the Group.

8. Work Plan Principles and Priority Topics for (Pages 69 - 76) 2008/09

This report considers the principles, which guide Social Inclusion Working Group work planning, and recommends priority topics for 2008/09.

9. Community Forum Reports and Feedback (Pages 77 - 80) To consider the following updates:

- a) Verbal reports from the Chair and Vice Chair regarding community group surgeries.
- b) Verbal presentation from the Disability Forum Project Leader.
- c) Verbal reports from community groups regarding their activity in 2007/08 and in particular their contributions to SIWG objectives.
- d) Inclusive York Forum minutes from their meeting held on 12 December 2007 (attached).

10. Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972

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- Registering to speak
- Business of the meeting
- Any special arrangements
- Copies of reports

Contact details set out above.