

# **Equality Forum**

Agenda and Reports

For consideration on

# Thursday, 23rd April 2009

In the Lancastrian, Town Hall, Chorley

At 6.30 pm







Town Hall Market Street Chorley Lancashire PR7 1DP

Dear Councillor/Colleague,

14 April 2009

# **EQUALITY FORUM - THURSDAY, 23RD APRIL 2009**

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Equality Forum to be held in the Lancastrian, Town Hall, Chorley on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>23rd April 2009 commencing</u> at 6.30 pm.

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair will welcome everyone to the meeting.

#### 2. **Apologies for absence**

# 3. **Minutes** (Pages 1 - 10)

To receive the minutes of the meeting of the Equality Forum held on 21 January 2009 (enclosed). The schedule is enclosed outlining queries raised at the last meeting and since the last meeting. Please note that several queries requiring a more detailed response will be updated at the meeting.

#### 4. Neighbourhood Watch 6.40pm

David Melhuish, the Chair of Chorley and District Neighbourhood Watch Association (CADNWA), will present this item.

#### What is the purpose of the item?

To outline the work undertaken by CADNWA.

#### Questions for the Forum

Are there areas where Forum Members would like to set up a Neighbourhood Watch.

#### What are we going to do with the information?

To take on board any information provided going forward.

David can be contacted on David.Melhuish@lancashire.pnn.police.uk

#### 5. **Health Inequalities Strategy 7.00pm**

Claire Thompson, Performance, Partnership and Equality Manager at Chorley Council will present this item.

#### What is the purpose?

The Chorley Partnership's Health and wellbeing Group are producing a strategy and action plan to tackle Chorley's health inequalities. The first draft of the strategy, outlining our key priorities, will be presented to the Equality Forum for their comments.

# Questions for the Forum

Do the priorities feel right for Chorley?

How can partners in Chorley work better together to tackle the health issues that affect the most disadvantaged people in our communities?

# What are we going to do with the information?

Once we have finalised the priorities in the strategy, we will pull together an action plan to tackle health inequalities in Chorley.

Claire can be contacted on <a href="mailto:claire.thompson@chorley.gov.uk">claire.thompson@chorley.gov.uk</a> or call 01257 515348.

### 6. Neighbourhood Working Update 7.20pm

Liz Morey, Neighbourhoods Co-ordinator at Chorley Council, will update the Forum on Neighbourhood Working.

Liz can be contacted on <a href="mailto:liz.morey@chorley.gov.uk">liz.morey@chorley.gov.uk</a> or call 01257 515812.

#### 7. **Networking break 7.25pm**

# 8. Open Forum to discuss any issues for each equality strand 7.45pm

- a) Age
- b) Disability
- c) Ethnicity
- d) Faith
- e) Gender
- f) Rurality
- g) Sexuality

# 9. Notices / Feedback / Publicity 8.15pm

Members of the Forum are welcome to inform other members of upcoming event, give feedback or notices.

If you would like to invite the Chair to attend a meeting of an equality group you are involved in please contact her on <a href="mainto:hasina.khan@chorley.gov.uk">hasina.khan@chorley.gov.uk</a> or call 01257 460515.

#### 10. **Dates of future meetings**

- Thursday, 9th July 2009
- Wednesday, 7th October 2009
- Tuesday, 19th January 2010
- Monday, 26th April 2010

The meetings are being held on a different day of the week to enable those who have fixed commitments on a particular evening to attend the majority of Forum meetings.

### 11. Any other item(s) that the Chair decides is/are urgent

Yours sincerely

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