



Equality Forum

Agenda and Reports

For consideration on

Tuesday, 18th January 2011

In the Lancastrian, Town Hall, Chorley

At 6.30 pm



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Dear Councillor

07 January 2011

EQUALITY FORUM - TUESDAY, 18TH JANUARY 2011

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Equality Forum to be held in the Lancastrian, Town Hall, Chorley on Tuesday, 18th January 2011 commencing 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 - 12)**

To receive the minutes of the meeting of the Equality Forum held on 6 October 2010 (enclosed). A schedule is enclosed outlining queries raised at the last meeting (pages 9-12).

4. **Preparing for the 2011 Census (Pages 13 - 14)**

There will be a presentation by Caroline Gee, Area Census Manager, and Paul Sudworth, Chorley Council on the forthcoming Census 2011. A briefing note has been attached to the agenda and can be found on pages 13-14.

What is the purpose of the item?

To explain that the 2011 Census is taking place on 27 March, how important it is that everyone takes part and what support and help is available locally and through helplines.

Questions for the Forum

Can they be part of the help and support that is offered locally to people who might need help completing their own forms?

Would they be willing to organise support for people at community centres or would they be willing to help staff events at Libraries or with the Chorley SMILE mobile?

Do they know of any other groups of people in the area who might need to discuss the Census before it takes place?

What are we going to do with the information?

If people can help by organising support for completing forms, I would have a separate conversation about when & where it would happen and allocate a member of Census staff to attend the event. I would also share some guidance information for people who will be helping others and include the event when speaking to the local media.

If people can help by staffing completion events at the Libraries or with the Chorley SMILE Mobile, I would like contact details for them so that a member of Census staff could speak with them and arrange for them to support the most appropriate event.

If they know of any other groups in the area who might need to discuss the Census before it takes place, I would like contact information of a person for the group or groups they know of so I can contact them separately. If they cannot give me the details, I will give out a business card so my details can be passed to whoever is appropriate for them to contact me instead.

Caroline Gee can be contacted on 07801 331284 or e-mail B104@census.gov.uk or Paul Sudworth can be contacted on 01257 515294 or email paul.sudworth@chorley.gov.uk

5. Consultation on the new Chorley Council Website

There will be a presentation by Vicky Witts and Asim Khan, Chorley Council, on the proposed new Chorley Council website.

What is the purpose of the item?

This item is to inform residents and groups of the new Chorley Council website, but also to get some initial feedback on accessibility issues relating to all strands of equality. In particular, we will be requesting that members of the Equality Forum help with the user testing of the website prior to its launch.

Vicky Witts can be contacted on 01257 515713 or e-mail vicky.witts@chorley.gov.uk

6. **Open Forum to discuss any issues for each equality strand**

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

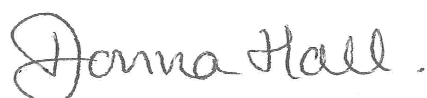
7. **Notices / Feedback / Publicity**

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

8. **Any other item(s) that the Chair decides is/are urgent**

9. **Networking break**

Yours sincerely



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