



# Equality Forum

Agenda and Reports

For consideration on

**Wednesday, 5th October  
2011**

In the Lancastrian, Town Hall, Chorley

At 6.30 pm

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Town Hall  
Market Street  
Chorley  
Lancashire  
PR7 1DP

Dear Councillor

27 September 2011

## **EQUALITY FORUM - WEDNESDAY, 5TH OCTOBER 2011**

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Equality Forum to be held in the Lancastrian, Town Hall, Chorley on Wednesday, 5th October 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 - 16)**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the last meeting of the Equality Forum held on 5 July 2011 and be signed by the Chair (enclosed).

4. **Site Allocations Consultation**

**An officer from the Planning Policy and Design Team will be available from 6pm before the meeting to discuss the Site Allocations process.**

What is the purpose of the item?

To inform members of the Forum about a consultation that is currently taking place in relation to the Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Development Plan Document for Chorley.

The full document can be viewed in full on the Council's website [www.chorley.gov.uk/planning](http://www.chorley.gov.uk/planning), where you can also leave your comments. Alternatively you can email your comments to [planning.policy@chorley.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@chorley.gov.uk).

5. **Lancashire Teaching Hospitals - Our Approach to Equality and Diversity**

Stephanie Iaconianni, the Equality and Diversity lead officer for Lancashire Teaching Hospitals will give a presentation.

What is the purpose of this item?

The purpose is to describe Lancashire Teaching Hospitals commitment to equality and diversity and how this will be implemented in the Trust to provide quality for patients and service users

Questions for the Forum

How can the Trust meet the needs of patients and service users in the Chorley area, taking into consideration the 9 equality protected characteristics?

Suggest ideas on how the Trust can consult effectively with patients, service users and the local community.

What are we going to do with the information?

The information provided will be considered by the Trust's Equality and Diversity Strategy Group and where appropriate implemented in areas identified.

Consultation will be published on the Trust's website.

Stephanie Iaconianni can be contacted on email

[Stephanie.IACONIANNI@lthtr.nhs.uk](mailto:Stephanie.IACONIANNI@lthtr.nhs.uk)

6. **New Task and Finish Review**

Sarah James, Partnerships Manager for Chorley Council will present this item.

What is the purpose of this item?

At the last Equality Forum, the Forum were asked for topics for a task and finish review. This agenda item will present those ideas and a scope for taking forward the most popular idea.

## Questions for the Forum

Does the scope cover everything within this topic or is there anything additional we should cover? Would anyone from the forum like to volunteer to be involved?

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

A task and finish group will be established to consider this topic and report back on their findings and recommendations to the Equality Forum in January.

Sarah James can be contacted on 01257 515348 or email [sarah.james@chorley.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.james@chorley.gov.uk)

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

- a) Age
- b) Disability
- c) Gender Reassignment
- d) Pregnancy and Maternity
- e) Race
- f) Religion and Belief
- g) Rurality
- h) Sex
- i) Sexual Orientation

### 8. **Notices / Feedback / Publicity**

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

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

## 10. Networking break

Yours sincerely



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