

Northampton Borough Council - Northampton Diverse Communities Forum

Thursday, 30 March 2017

1. WELCOMES, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES 5MINS

Present: Cllr James Hill (Co Chair NBC), Pauline Woodhouse (Co Chair NBC PW), Nisha Mejer (NBC, NM), Vicki Rockall (NBC VR), John Rawlings (Individual JR), Lee Johnson (NHFT LJ), Nayla Mahmood (NHFT NM1), Jenny Campbell (Inspiration FM, Parent JC)

Apologies: Neelam Aggarwal-Singh, Matthew Torreson, Chris Buckenham, Rachel Packman, Diana Belfon

2. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING 10MINS

Minutes record as true to record.

No matters arising.

3. INSPIRATION FM - JENNY CAMPBELL 20 MINS

JC gave a presentation on a project about Public Service Announcements (PSAs). The project aims to train existing volunteers to produce PSAs. They raise awareness of subject matters. They are not advertisements.

The main cost of the project is the equipment, there are not enough laptops to cater for the volunteers. There are also room hire costs amongst other expenditure.

It was proposed that approx. 52 PSAs can be created which would cost the forum £3,000.

Q: Can the PSAs be broadcasted across to other stations eg hospitals?

A: Yes.

Q: What are the demographics of listeners?

A: PSAs will have coverage of the Northampton area.

Q: How do you select a PSA?

A: As a station Inspiration FM makes the decision. The volunteers also help choose the themes.

ACTION: VR to speak to communications team. Priority to be given to NBC events.

4. IAPT NAYLA MAHMOOD 20 MINS

Nayla and Sue are part of the Reverse Commissioning project. The team used to be called Changing Minds.

The team has a lot of events planned to engage with communities. A survey has been created to help improve services. The forum was asked to give feedback on the survey which was given. The survey is targeted to BME communities who are

over 16.

The survey has been checked and extensive advice has been given on the construction of the survey.

The forum invited IAPT to return for future meetings to give feedback.

5. REFUGEE WEEK 10 MINS

Refugee Week is 19th – 25th June 2017. The forum was asked if they would like to do anything to mark the week.

ACTION: NM to email to ask the forum.

6. ACTION PLAN 10 MINS

Following updates to be made on Action Plan.

Diwali – completed.

Hate Crime – project delivered. Received national award for recognition.

ESOL- ongoing project.

Hate Crime survey – copies handed out

7. COMMUNITY INFORMATION EXCHANGE 10 MINS

PW: The Police are asking youngsters their viewpoint on the Stop and Search process.

ACTION: PW to send email to NM who will then forward to the committee.

JR: Need more people to attend from the Eastern European Communities.

NM: Community leaflet can be handed out to these groups when it is completed.

8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT MEETING 10 MINS

JR: Would like to look at the impact of BME communities on GP surgeries. Would like to invite the organisation called Healthwatch.

Update from Hate Crime Officer to be given in next meeting.

Diana Belfon to attend next meeting to give update about Reverse Commissioning project.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 10 MINS

May 11th, 6:30pm, The Guildhall

