Forum Action Plan						
Chair:	Cllr. Larratt and Martin De Rosario	Responsible Forum:	Disabled People's Forum			
Outcomes identified within the Corporate Plan:	<ul> <li>Empowered local communities with a greater capacity to become involved in community life</li> <li>Promote integration and cohesion</li> <li>Appropriate support provided to those in most need</li> <li>Services are fair, accessible and responsive to individual needs residents and customers feel informed and engaged in service quality and design</li> <li>Future developments informed by the views of local people</li> <li>Delivery of events to celebrate and enjoy the Town's heritage and culture</li> </ul>					
Objectives:	<ul> <li>Identify issues of importance to disabled people who live or work in the Borough, research/discuss issues and decide on outcomes to achieve</li> <li>Promote and sustain effective communication between NBC and disabled people living or working in the Borough.</li> <li>Work towards equality of access by disabled people to services, including accessible formats, removing barriers, promoting dialogue and identifying specific requirements.</li> <li>Promoting partnership working by statutory and voluntary sector organisations, and Disabled People's groups and communities</li> </ul>					
Actions:						

Action	Owner	Activity (intelligence led)	Timescale	Cost	Measure	Last Updated
Improve attendance at forum, bringing different groups together to build upon the forum. Including service providers as well as service users.	Partnerships and Communities Team	Continue to promote forum through various networks and communications channels.  Leaflets created. Forum members to distribute across to their contacts.	Ongoing	Nil	% increase at forum	April 2017
Hate Crime Awareness Week	NBC/ Northampton Rights and Equality Council / VIN	Week of activity held including Inter Community Forum event for recruitment of Hate Crime Champions,	October 2017	Event held, no. of attendees	November 2016	Novemb er 2016
Disability Awareness Week	Partnerships and Communities Team	Awareness raising event, promoting services available. Event venue – Weston Favell Community Centre. Organisations who participated include; Olympus Care	3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2017	Nil	Event held and % no attendees	Septemb er 2016

		Employability Service, Changing Minds (NHFT), Northamptonshire Sport, Local Offer (NCC), Guide Dogs for the Blind, Northamptonshire Polio Fellowship, Door to Door Service.				
Disabled Facilities Grants	AAitken	Help promote the scheme to the community Support AAitken, Adaptations Manager, to raise awareness	Ongoing	Nil	Septer er 201	
Hate Crime work	ALuck/LJepson	Work with LJepson (Crane Project), to set up the forum as a Third Party Reporting Arena, where information can be captured to take to the Police or use part of the data collection to inform national bodies.  Can also take 3rd hand information. Idea is to get people to talk.	Ongoing	Nil	Septer er 201	