## **Diverse Communities Equalities Forum**

on Thursday, 25 November 2010 at 6:30 pm until not later than 8.30pm in Holding Room - Guildhall,

## Agenda

- 1. Welcomes and Introductions
- Matters Arising Not Already On the Agenda
- 3. NBC Difficult Choices Priorities and Budget Consultation 2011/12: Copies of the consultation should be available at the meeting for the discussion item about NBC and Finance. If you are unable to attend the meeting or would like to obtain a copy for yourself or others outside of the meeting please be aware that forms are available from the One Stop Shop at the Guildhall or can be posted on request from Silvina Katz email: <a href="mailto:skatz@northampton.gov.uk">skatz@northampton.gov.uk</a> or tel: 01604 837573. The survey can also be completed online at: <a href="mailto:http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/difficultchoices">http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/difficultchoices</a>. The survey closes 30 November 2010.
- 4. Community Information Exchange
  - Central Area Action Plan
- 5. Items for Discussion at the Next Meeting
- 6. Date Of Next Meeting

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Please note that this Forum is supported and funded by Northampton Borough Council. The Forum may work in partnership and collaboration with other community groups, councils and local services from time to time. The views expressed and decisions taken by the Forum are not necessarily those of Northampton Borough Council.

## **Community Information Exchange**

## **Central Area Action Plan**

The Council has published the Pre-Submission Draft Central Area Action Plan for a 6-week period from Thursday 4 November until Thursday 16 December 2010.

The future growth of Northampton provides us with an exciting opportunity to plan the Central Area in a way that ensures any growth supports and enhances the needs of people, both today and in the future. We also need to be very careful to protect and enhance the best of our heritage assets. The Central Area Action Plan is the plan which will ensure that any development opportunities which arise are used in a way that meets our vision for the future.

The Central Area Action Plan, known as CAAP, is for the citizens of Northampton who might live in, work in or visit Northampton. The Council has reached the final stages of developing the Action Plan. Before submitting it to Central Government for final approval (expected to be March 2011) we are required to publish it for a 6-week period – therefore we are calling this document the Pre-Submission Draft Central Area Action Plan. It will be available on Thursday 4 November 2010.

The purpose behind publishing the document is to seek any representations (which have not already been made and considered through pervious stages of consultations). You can view the feedback we have received to previous consultations on the Council's website at www.northampton.gov.uk/planningpolicy.

The publication documents are available in the following locations:

- Available for inspection during normal office opening hours at the Council's Cliftonville House Reception, Bedford Road, Northampton and the Guildhall One Stop Shop, St Giles Square, Northampton. Copies of the documents will also be available from the Cliftonville House Reception and the Guildhall One Stop Shop.
- The documents are also available to view within opening hours at all libraries in the Borough (Central Library (Abington Street), Abington, Duston, Far Cotton, Hunsbury, Kingsthorpe, St James and Weston Favell, Wootton Fields).
- The full documentation can be downloaded from http://consult.northampton.gov.uk, or requests for copies can be made to the Planning Policy Team on 01604 838 907 or email planningpolicy@northampton.gov.uk.