Time commenced : 6.30pm Time finished : 8:30pm

# WOMEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE TUESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2006

Present: Representing Derby City Council

Councillor MacDonald (Chair) Councillor Higginbottom

Councillor Winter

**Council Advisors** 

Ellen Bird, Constitutional Services Officer Pam Thompson, Consultation Support Officer

**Officers** 

**Community Representatives** 

Angela Neill Individual Shirley Howard- Johnson Individual

15/06 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Williams and Harbourne and Janice Platt, Naranjan Lalria, Nasrin Iqbal and Arshia Iqbal

16/06 Late Items to be Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

17/06 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Higginbottom declared a personal interest in item 20/06 as she had done consultancy work for Derby City Transport

18/06 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 13 June 2006 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

19/06 Update on Proposals to change the three Equality Advisory Committees

The Committee received a report from the Director Corporate and Adult Social Services regarding the change from Advisory groups to equality forums.

### Resolved to

1) note the report and:

## 2) To nominate the following people to the Sub Committee to agree the new protocols for the new Equality Forums

- Councillor Winters
- Councillor Harbourne
- Shirley Howard-Johnson
- Nasreen Igbal
- Margaret Bowen
- Chandra Sayal
- Janice Platt

## 20/06 Public Transport Services in Derby

The Committee received a presentation on the current transportation services in Derby.

The Committee noted that the Star Track system was to be rolled out across the City but that this was dependent on the replacement of the buses.

They noted that the new bus station should be completed in 18 months and that the 4 rail networks in the area would be combined under one controller.

The Committee discussed Women's safety on the buses and Chris Hegarty reported that there were very few incidents on Derby buses.

### Resolved to note the presentation.

## 21/06 Eagle Centre Development Update

The Committee received a presentation from Westfield (the development company for the Eagle Centre).

The presentation outlined the plans for the centre and briefed the Committee on the work that was being done around the development.

The Committee discussed the opportunity of having a Women's Centre in the complex.

#### Resolved to

- 1) note the presentation and;
- 2) Ask officers to discuss the possibility of developing a Women's Centre with the developers.

## 22/06 Derby Cityscape – Public Realm Strategy

The Committee received a report which described the Public Consultation Plan for Derby Cityscape's Public Realm Strategy.

#### Resolved to note the report.

## 23/06 Council Cabinet Forward Plan

The Committee examined the latest version of the Forward Plan.

Resolved to request that report 24/06 Housing Allocations Policy be brought to a future meeting.

24/06 Work Programme

Resolved to note the work programme.

25/06 International Women's Day

The Committee received the minutes from the International Women's Day Planning Meeting.

Resolved to note the minutes.

26/06 Date of the Next Meeting

It was agreed to note the date of the next meeting would be Tuesday 21 November 2006 at 6.30pm.

MINUTES END