## DISABLED PEOPLE'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE 1 APRIL 2004 MINUTE EXTRACT

## 61/03 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Resolved to exclude the press and public from the meeting during discussion of the following item, on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 11 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

## 62/03 Repositioning of Policy Directorate Services

A report of the Director of Policy was considered which stated that Council Cabinet, at its meeting on 16 March 2004 had approved a report on mainstreaming equality services within the Council and focusing work on the community cohesion agenda within Derby City Partnership. The report had been referred to this committee, among others, for consideration and comment. Sue Glithero, Director of Policy and Councillor Carr, Council Cabinet Member for Personnel, Equalities and Direct Services addressed the Committee.

The Committee made the following comments:

Amarjit Raju commented on behalf of Disability Direct that the Equalities Unit had done an excellent job over the last couple of years and he hoped it would continue with the new organisation.

The Committee were concerned that they would find it difficult to know who to contact for specific issues. Sue Glithero advised that this would be looked at, so there could be one initial point of contact.

Trevor Ford stated that this repositioning of Equalities looked good on paper and looked like it would be more efficiently managed. It was a big improvement.

The Committee asked if Ann Webster would still be involved with the Committee. Sue Glithero advised that whichever job Ann chose, she was sure that something could be done to make sure Ann continued her links with the Committee.

Resolved to report the comments of the Committee to Council Cabinet.