

COMMUNITY COMMISSION 23 July 2007

Report of the Director of Corporate and Adult Services

Neighbourhood Working

RECOMMENDATION

1.1 To consider and comment on the area and neighbourhood working arrangements which replace the five Area Panels with one Neighbourhood Forum for each ward.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Council Cabinet considered a report of the Corporate Director, Regeneration and Community, and Corporate Director, Corporate and Adult Social Services at its 3 July meeting and approved in principal to transform Area Panels into Neighbourhood Forums as part of the new neighbourhood working. The report was approved in principle by the Cabinet.
- 2.2 A report giving more details of how the new arrangements will work and what it means in practice for each ward is being prepared by the Director, Regeneration and Community and will be made available to members in due course. Members are asked to identify key issues they would like to see included in the new arrangements such as changes to constitutional arrangements for neighbourhood working, consider how decisions will be made in the future, process for expenditure of budgets, how local residents will be involved etc.

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Background papers: None.

List of appendices: Appendix 1 – Implications

Appendix 2 – Council Cabinet Report

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. None arising from this report.

Legal

2. None arising from this report.

Personnel

3. None arising from this report.

Equalities impact

4. Effective scrutiny will benefit all Derby people.

Corporate Priorities

- 5. This report links with Council's priorities for 2007-10 to:
 - make us proud of our neighbourhoods
 - create a 21st Century city centre