

Decision Ref No:

EX.289/08

Subject Matter:

MIGRANT WORKERS TASK & FINISH GROUP - RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS

Pursuant to Minute EX.227/08, the Head of Policy and Performance reported (PPP.89/08) on the recent review of Migrant Workers by the Community Overview and Scrutiny Task and Finish Group. She outlined the terms of reference of the Group, including: the issues of leadership, housing, language, employment, community cohesion, the statistics available and the future implications of the migrant worker situation.

The Head of Policy and Performance also highlighted the main recommendations of the Group, including: the commissioning of a detailed survey, including interviewing of a cross section of the districts migrant worker population, to get information on the skills, needs and concerns of the migrant workers, continued City Council funding of the Law Centre and Citizens Advice Bureau, funding for a risk based inspection regime for licensed HMO's together with further recommendations regarding employment, communication and community cohesion.

She further outlined specific recommendations on the role of the City Council, including raising the Council's targets for Equality Standards to Level 3 together with further training for Officers and Councillors and greater political leadership on race issues.

The Head of Policy and Performance added that the Action Plan arising from the recommendations could, once agreed, be incorporated into the Council's Corporate Equality Action Plan.

Decision:

That the recommendations of the Task and Finish Group, as detailed at Appendix 1 to report PPP.89/08, be noted and the Head of Policy and Performance, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing, work up details of the recommendation to form an Action Plan that would then be intergrated within the Corporate Equality Action Plan..

Key or Non-Key Decision:

Non-Key

Key Decision Ref:

N/A

Portfolio:

Health and Communities

Who made decision:

Executive

Date:

17-Nov-08

Reports and Background Papers considered:

The report of the Head of Policy and Performance PPP.89/08.

Reasons for Decision:

To ensure the Council and its partners where appropriate, are able to respond to the recommendations of the Task and Finish Group.

Summary of Options rejected:

None

Interests declared	<div>None</div>		
Date published	<div>19-Nov-08</div>		
Urgent decision not subject to call in	<div>No</div>		
Consent of Chairman/ Deputy Chairman of Council to Urgency:	<div>Not applicable</div>		
Deadline for call-in:	<div>26-Nov-08 at 5pm</div>		
Implementation date if not called-in:	<div>27-Nov-08</div>		
Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee:	<div>Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee</div>		
Call-in notified to and date notified:	<div></div>		
Approved for implementation on:	<div></div>		
