

Northampton Borough Council - Northampton Women's Forum

Tuesday, 13 September 2016 at 11:00 am – 1pm

Agenda

1. Welcomes, introductions and apologies
2. Minutes and matters arising
3. Voice
4. Action plan
5. Diwali workshop
6. Community News Exchange
7. Suggestions for Items for Future Meetings of Forum Activities
8. AOB
9. Date and venues of future Forum Meetings
November 15 11.00am -13.00pm

Map and directions at: www.northampton.gov.uk/guildhall

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This Code of Conduct sets out the standards that the Forums expect of its members. It aims to provide members with an effective ethical framework in which to do business. It is not intended to be exhaustive, or to cover every eventuality, but sets out some common sense requirements to enable the forums to function smoothly and successfully.

It is the responsibility of the Chair to encourage and enable input from forum members, to ensure all voices are heard.

1. Meeting Etiquette

As an attendee you must comply with the following requirements and any others that may be stated from time to time:

- 1.1** Contribute positively to discussions concerning the issues of the meeting
- 1.2** Be friendly, polite, courteous and respectful at all times to fellow members, and others present
- 1.3** Not insult, abuse or use offensive language or behaviour
- 1.4** Comply with Northampton Borough Councils Equal Opportunities Policy
- 1.5** Demonstrate actively that you are interested in and care about the issue that you are discussing and want to make a positive difference
- 1.6** Show respect for buildings, facilities and equipment being used
- 1.7** Speak only through the Chairman of the meeting and not interrupt, heckle, make distracting noises or gestures
- 1.8** Speak clearly into any microphone provided and comply with any instructions given about its use

2. Being Objective

- 2.1** Your own experience and views should inform, but not dominate or dictate how you participate.
- 2.2** If you have a specific issue with regards to a service matter to raise these can be discussed with a member of staff at the end of the each meeting or you can ask for the appropriate officer details. Meetings attended by other residents are not the place to raise any issues of this nature.
- 2.3** Be Fair
- 2.4** You must have and show respect for the people you deal with, and take their circumstances and personal differences into account. This is about putting equality into practice. The key is simply to respect differences fairly, so that you do not exclude anyone, or treat anyone inappropriately or unfairly because of their particular circumstances.

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If any person's behaviour breaches this Code of Conduct, they will be required to leave the meeting and vacate the premises where it is being held. They will not be permitted to attend future meetings unless they provide satisfactory evidence to Northampton Borough Council that they will comply with the Code – e.g. a letter of apology.

If you would like further information or if you would like to discuss the Code of Conduct please contact Vicki Rockall, Partnerships and Communities Manager at vrockall@northampton.gov.uk or on 01604 837074

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Tuesday, 12 July 2016 11:00am -1:00pm

1. WELCOMES, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES

Present:

Cllr Anna King (Co-Chair) (NBC, AK), Val Dumbleton (Soroptomists / Healthwatch VD), Morcea Walker (NBHA/NCAC, MW), *Nisha Mejer (NBC, NM), Vicki Rockall (NBC, VR), Cllr Rufia Ashraf (RA, St James Ward), Louise Musson (NBC - Call Care LM), Rachel Packman (Northants Police - Community Engagement RP), Julia Bush (NABPFA, JB), Aimee Luck (Northamptonshire Rape Crisis, AL), Nisha Mejer* (NM NBC), Rachel Conlon (Nene & Corby CCGs, RC), Hazel Tuttle (Individual, HT), Laura Morrison (Game Changer Consultancy LM1), Steve Bedford (Police SB), Michelle Chard (Zimwomen, MC), Tomi Adetola (Zimwomen, TA), Rutendo Nyastine(Zimwomen RN).

*Took minutes

Apologies

Cllr Rufia Ashraf, Catherine Bruce, Sue Ward, Fiona Lloyd, Cllr Duffy, Gilly Anglian-Jarrett, Morcea Walker, Ann Bodsworth, Pauline Woodhouse, Neelan Agarwal-Singh

2. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

Amendment: Page 4- Change C2C to Homestart.

3. CHAIR NOMINATIONS

Three people nominated themselves to be Co- Chair – Laura Morrison, Pauline Woodhouse, Fiona Lloyd. AK read out biographies to the Forum and a ballot was held.

Pauline Woodhouse has been elected in.

4. RACHEL CONLON: MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONING LEAD

The Mental Health Commissioning Lead is in the process of creating a Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP). This plan is for health and social care for adults. Feedback from service users is being sought to develop the plan.

The STP will be drafted in August and there will be a consultation in September and October.

Question and answer:

Q: What is the definition of adult?

A: People aged 18+

Q: What services in 6th form?

A: This varies. Student aged 18+ there are adult services. There is a school nurse for 6th form students. No specific services in universities.

Q: Are there preventative services in schools and universities?

A: There are specific youth counselling services however there is no resources for mental health.

Q: Support is needed for children in schools with anxiety and other mental health issues. Staff members are not always qualified to deal with such issues.

A: Parents and GPs can refer to CAMHS (Child and Mental Health Services). There has been a 40% increase in referrals to CAMHS.

The Referral Management Centre (RMC) offers a single point of access for professionals wishing to make referrals for children and young people. We aim to ensure that children and young people are seen by the right health professional(s), with the right skills the first time. The RMC has expanded its service for children and young people for the county (the full list of services is available within the more information section of this page).

Q: Was the feedback representative of the users?

A: 50% were service users. Majority were women. There are gaps and organisations such as Voiceability are being engaged to help bridge this.

Q: Does your survey fully integrate the volunteer services?

A: There is a single point for health and social care and under that there are working groups.

Q: Is there joined up working?

A: The STP will help with this. We need to work closer and better.

Q: What would be the top three priorities?

A: Raising awareness, taking honest feedback, and better communications/PR.

Q: Need to look at grassroots and that is where money is being wasted. GPs don't know that services exist and don't have time to refer. There is a barrier between grassroots services and higher strategy groups.

A: Will talk to anybody and all organisations.

Q: Is there a way to secure funding for referrals?

A: The funding is being reviewed as the budget is very tight.

ACTION: RC to contact AL to talk about funding for trauma counselling.

5. HAPPY DAY FEEDBACK

The event went well and the activities we enjoyed by people who attended. The weather kept numbers on the lower side and more signage around the park was needed. It was decided that it was worth doing the event every year.

Feedback from AK: The turnout was positive. Information and activities consisted of a good mixture and it was a thoroughly enjoyable event.

The objective was to have greater access from the public to the service providers. This was achieved and organisations have been asked to attend other workshops.

RN : Guidelines on putting up of signage unclear.

ACTION: VR emailed Cllr K and Morcea Walker to establish how to support for future.

6. ACTION PLAN

To be discussed at next meeting

7. DIWALI WORKSHOP 2016

To be discussed at next meeting.

8. COMMUNITY INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Hate Crime update from Steve Bedford. Document attached to minutes.

Zimwomen have started a cleaning project. Also have event called Strictly Come Dancing Africa at the Deco. Further information to be sent to Forum.

LM1: Launching a business called Mums Unlimited to help support women in business.

HT: Is in the process of knitting bricks for the School of Life project.

AL: Pilot at Barry Road School went very well.

VD: C2C are having a car boot sale to fundraise. Please ring 01604 635530 if you would like to donate.

JB: 14th July 7pm – Meeting at Quaker House. Meeting on 12th Sept 6.30pm for Globe Project at the Guildhall called Refugees Welcome.

9. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSIONS AT THE NEXT MEETING.

Not discussed.

10.AOB

Next meeting 13th September, 11am -1pm – The Guildhall.

Northampton Women’s Forum Action Plan 2014

Chair:	Cllr Anna King (NBC) and Jane Carr (NVC)	Responsible Forum:	Northampton Women’s Forum
Outcomes identified within the Corporate Plan:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empowered local communities with a greater capacity to become involved in community life • Promote integration and cohesion • Appropriate support provided to those in most need • Services are fair, accessible and responsive to individual needs residents and customers feel informed and engaged in service quality and design • Future developments informed by the views of local people • Delivery of events to celebrate and enjoy the Town’s heritage and culture 		
Priorities agreed for 2014:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivering partnership activities collectively – adding value • Communicating together better • Health and wellbeing, including violence against women 		

Actions:

☺ Action	Owner	Activity (intelligence led)	Timescale	Cost	Measure	Last Updated
International Women’s Day	Cllr.A King/ N Mejer / VRockall	Event worked very well this year.	March 2016	£1000.00	Event delivered – number of attendees	March 2016
Happy Day	N Mejer / P Woodhouse	Partnership Health and Wellbeing ‘Happy’ event led by Northampton Women’s Forum. Event in the Racecourse, with key health partners involved, and cover variety of health issues. Working group established for this, and plans progressing well.	June 2016	£1000.00	Event delivered – number of attendees	March 2016