

**Equality 2025 – the United Kingdom Advisory Network on
Disability Equality
EQ2025/10/02
13th November 2007
International Convention Centre
Birmingham**

Terminology in this paper

ODI = Office of Disability Issues

DWP = Department for Work and Pensions

Members = Members of Equality 2025

Attendees: Andy Rickell, Nick Danagher, Saghir Alam, Kirsten Hearn, Fiona Wallace, Alex Thorburn, Katherine Thomas, Shelley Franklin, Prabhat Barot, Simone Aspis, Gary McGladdery, Sarah Newman, Steve Scott, Rowen Jade, Eleanor Thoe Lisney, Zara Todd, Miro Griffiths, Clenton Farquharson

ODI Officials: Sally Witcher, Celia Reed, Carol Foster-Middleton, Andrew Timeyin.

Secretariat: Lis Robinson, Wilma Jackson, Audrey Daft, Chris Manasseh

Apologies: Michelle Daley, Tara Flood, Richard Rieser and Dave McCormack

Tuesday 13th November 2007

Facilitators: Rowen Jade, Kirsten Hearn (in the absence of Dave McCormack).

1.0 The purpose of the meeting was to have a discussion session to enable members to examine issues raised by the attendees at the public meeting then determine how these would fit into the 2008/09 work plan.

1.1 Rowen introduced the revised agenda to members and explained the objectives for the day's discussion. Members were asked to divide themselves into four groups to examine the feedback for the 4 hot topics at the public meeting and discuss how these issues could formulate an effective work plan.

The four Hot Topics are:-

(a) Developing Centres for Independent Living

(Nick, Eleanor, Clenton, Fiona and Sarah)

(b) United Nations Convention

(Simone, Rowen, Prabhat, Katherine and Shelly)

(c) Young People and Transitions

(Steve, Miro, Zara, Alex)

(d) Hate Crime

(Gary, Pauline, Saghir and Kirsten)

2.0 Rowen asked Andy and Katherine to represent the summary session from the Public meeting. Members were then asked to think how the key topics could be made into projects and

priorities for the work plan. A time frame from identified areas for the work plan could then be produced.

3.0 A full list of possible project areas within each Hot Topic was presented at the end of the session and it was discussed how these could be prioritised. It was generally agreed however at the end of the session, that the final list was looking complicated and was still too demanding on time and resources.

3.1 It was agreed that additional work on identifying priorities for the 2008/09 work plan would be discussed outside the meeting within each allocated group.

Action Points:

- (a) The full list of points from the 4 hot topics agreed in the morning session to be circulated by e-mail (Secretariat)
- (b) Issue work plan and strategic work plan (Secretariat)
- (c) Give detail of what other government departments are working on which might feed into work plan (Secretariat)
- (d) Issue explanatory note of process for identifying project plan and work plan (Kirsten)
- (e) Issue project plan template to all members (Kirsten)

Agreed priorities would then be brought to the December meeting, for discussion and agreement.