EQUALITIES PANEL 27th November 2006

Information Item

LOCAL BNP (British National Party) ACTIVITY

Local residents in parts of Cambridge city have been receiving racist material from the British National Party, focusing on anti-Islamic sentiment and phobia. These are hand delivered to selected areas in the early hours of the morning.

See attached copy.

One Panel member has asked that this be brought to the attention of the full Panel, along with the fact that attacks on and threats to the Mosque and its members in Cambridge city have increased significantly over the last 6 months.

Responding to racial tensions and developing improved relations with different faith groups are key areas of work for the council's community development and equalities teams.