

## **Agenda Item 5: Review of the Equalities Panel**

In the Single Equality Scheme annual report, there is an action to: “Undertake a review into the effectiveness of the Equalities Panel for supporting Council-led initiatives that play a leading role in the promotion of equality and diversity, consulting current Equalities Panel members. Identify how and if the Panel or another formalised partnership can help develop a whole systems approach to tackling inequality and discrimination – an approach that recognises the council must work with partners and communities to effectively tackle these issues given their complexity.” This will be a brief agenda item providing more context of the review. The Council will also share next steps in reviewing the Panel following on from conversations that have been held with some past and present Panel members learning from their experiences of the Panel.