

COMMITTEE: RACE ADVISORY FORUM

DATE: 5TH FEBRUARY 2008

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

REPORT BY: POLICY OFFICER

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IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL

COMMUNITY SAFETY

EQUALITIES

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ENVIRONMENT

FINANCIAL

CONSULTATIONS

STAFFING

OTHER

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

PURPOSE

1. To request the forum to consider an application for individual membership from S. Abbas.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

2. **Race Advisory Forum is recommended to approve the application from Mr. Abbas for membership.**

BACKGROUND

3. The application received from Mr. Abbas offers the following information:

He says he has personal experience of mental health problems and works as a volunteer with ACE Enterprises. He says he has practical experience of health care management and mental health issues. He has been unemployed since 1991.

EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

4. The Council's Advisory Forums seek to attract the widest possible membership from the local community and have recently launched initiatives to attract new members.