### AGENDA ITEM

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COMMITTEE:	DISABILITY ADVISORY AND ACCESS FORUM	
DATE:	9 <sup>тн</sup> АР	RIL 2009
SUBJECT:	ACCESS TO COUNCIL BUILDINGS	
REPORT BY:	HEAD OF CAPITAL AND ASSET MANAGEMENT	
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IMPLICATIONS:		
LEGAL		COMMUNITY SAFETY
EQUALITIES	$\checkmark$	ENVIRONMENT
FINANCIAL		CONSULTATIONS
STAFFING		OTHER
WARDS AFFECTED:		

#### **PURPOSE**

1. To provide the Forum with an update on progress towards ensuring the Council complies with the requirements of Part III: Service Provision of the DDA.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

2. Disability Advisory and Access Forum Committee is recommended to note the report.

# BACKGROUND

3. The Forum will be aware of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and its implications for service providers. This report seeks to appraise the Forum of progress towards compliance with Part III of the Act.

# <u>REPORT</u>

- 4. The report highlights changes and progress since the last meeting of the forum.
- 5. Buildings where there are outstanding issues are:
  - Luton Museum and Art Gallery, negotiations with the Contractor are ongoing due to costs being higher than anticipated. Work may be split into 2 phases with work being carried out in the building prior to work to the car park being completed. It is anticipated that work will start in April subject to agreement with the Museum operator.
  - Limbury Community Centre, discussions with the local community regarding a possible extension have delayed the scheme.

## **APPENDIX**

There are no other papers with this report.