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To: Cllr. Anne Meadows  
Chair, Equalities Forum  
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Dear Anne,

## **Position Paper on Trans Inclusion**

The Equalities Forum, in November 2006, agreed to Spectrum's offer to provide a position paper on Trans inclusion. This was provided for the February meeting with the intention of providing a detailed presentation at the March Forum.

A brief update to the Forum on developments:

- A productive series of meetings between Spectrum, the Gender Trust and Brighton Bothways and senior officers began in December to take forward issues around the inclusion of Bi and Trans people.
- The Sussex Partnership NHS Trust, Brighton & Hove Primary Care Trust and University of Brighton have requested input from Spectrum to the development of their Gender Equality Schemes in relation to Trans inclusion.
- The Government sponsored Equalities Review commissioned and has now published research on Trans people's experiences of inequality and discrimination (see attached Executive Summary).
- Spectrum has established a community Bi & Trans Working Group.
- Additional analysis of the Count Me In Too research will address the specific needs and experiences of local Trans people.

We therefore welcome this opportunity to give a presentation to the Equalities Forum and to answer questions from members and officers of the Forum on the attached position paper and Press for Change research.

Yours sincerely,



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