

# Equality Impact Toolkit (new version February 2012)

**Section 1: Your details**

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**Department:** Technical Services

**Date:** 20 March 2012

**Section 2: What Council function / proposal is being assessed?**

It is proposed for the Council to 'sign –up' to an Armed Forces Community Covenant

**Section 2b: Is this EIA being submitted to Cabinet or Overview & Scrutiny Committee?**

**Yes / No**

**If 'yes' please state which meeting and what date**

**Cabinet 12 April 2012**

**And please add hyperlink to your published EIA on the Council's website**

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**Section 3:** Will the Council function / proposal affect equality in .....? (please tick relevant boxes)

**Services**

**The workforce**

**Yes** **Communities**

**Other** (please state)

If you have ticked one or more of above, please go to section 4.

**None** (please stop here and email this form to your Chief Officer who needs to email it to [equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk) for publishing)

**Section 4:** Within the Equality Duty 2010, there are 3 legal requirements. Will the Council function / proposal support the way the Council ..... (please tick relevant boxes)

**Yes** Eliminates unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation

**Yes** Advances equality of opportunity

**Yes** Fosters good relations between groups of people

If you have ticked one or more of above, please go to section 5.

**None** (please stop here and email this form to your Chief Officer who needs to email it to [equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk) for publishing)

**Section 5:** Will the function / proposal have a positive or negative impact on any of the protected groups (race, gender, disability, gender reassignment, age, pregnancy and maternity, religion and belief, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership)?

You may also want to consider socio-economic status of individuals.

Please list in the table below and include actions required to mitigate any negative impact.

Protected characteristic	Positive or negative impact	Action required to mitigate any negative impact	Lead person	Timescale	Resource implications
Disability	Positive – The signing of the Charter and the formation of an multi-agency forum to consider Armed Forces related matters can only bring about better inter agency working and ultimately deliver a better service for those communities.	N/A			Nil

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**Section 5a: Where and how will the above actions be monitored?**

Actions will be monitored via the proposed Armed forces Community Forum

**Section 5b: If you think there is no negative impact, what is your reasoning behind this?**

As a result of 'signing up' to an Armed forces Community Covenant the provision for disabled service personnel will be enhanced.

**Section 6: What research / data / information have you used in support of this process?**

LgiU publication 'Honouring your Armed Forces Community' and feedback community road show events held in 2011.

**Section 7: Are you intending to carry out any consultation with regard to this Council function / policy?**

No – (please delete as appropriate)

If 'no' please state your reason(s) why: consultation not required at this stage. There may be a need to consult on specific actions arising from the work of the Armed Forces Community Forum.

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**Section 8: How will consultation take place?**

Before you complete your consultation, please email your 'incomplete' EIA to [equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk) via your Chief Officer in order for the Council to ensure it is

meeting it's legal requirements. The EIA will be published with a note saying we are awaiting outcomes from a consultation exercise.

Once you have completed your consultation, please review your actions in section 5. Then email this form to your Chief Officer who needs to email it to [equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk) for re-publishing.

**Section 9: Have you remembered to:**

- a) **Add a hyperlink to your published EIA on the Council website? (section 2b)**
- b) **Include any positive impacts as well as negative impacts? (section 5)**
- c) **Send this EIA to [equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk) via your Chief Officer?**
- d) **Review section 5 once consultation has taken place and sent your completed EIA to [equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:equalitywatch@wirral.gov.uk) via your Chief Officer for re-publishing?**