



AN ARMED FORCES COVENANT

BETWEEN

EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE COUNCIL
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PUBLIC, CHARITABLE AND VOLUNTARY
SECTORS,
THE CIVILIAN COMMUNITY OF EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE

AND

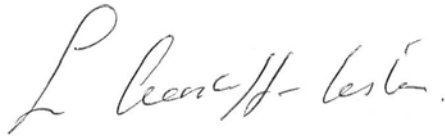
THE ARMED FORCES COMMUNITY IN *EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE*

**We, the undersigned, agree to work and act together to
honour the Armed Forces Covenant.**

Signatories

Dated 1 July 2018

Signed:



Name: Lord Lieutenant the Hon. Susan Cunliffe-Lister

Position Held: The Queen's Representative

Signed on behalf of the Queen

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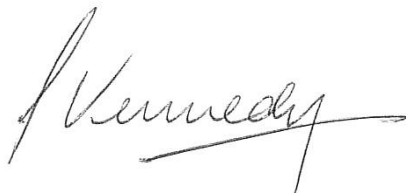


Name: Councillor Margaret Chadwick

Position Held: Chairman of East Riding of Yorkshire Council

Signed on behalf of the Council

Signed:



Name: Colonel Andrew Kennedy

Position Held: Commandant Defence School of Transport, Leconfield

Signed on behalf of the Armed Forces

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Name: Lieutenant Colonel Michael Casey

Position Held: Commanding Officer 150 Regiment RLC

Signed on behalf of the Armed Forces

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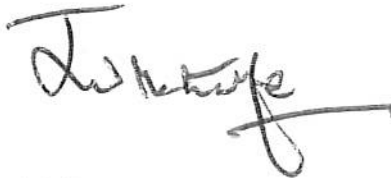


Name: Commodore Phil Waterhouse

Position Held: Naval Regional Commander Northern England and Isle of Man

Signed on behalf of the Armed Forces

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Name: Wing Commander Jeffrey Metcalfe

Position Held: Royal Air Force Liaison Officer Yorkshire and Humber

Signed on behalf of the Armed Forces



Signed:

Name: Major General (Retired) Michael Charlton-Weedy

Position Held: County President North and East Yorkshire

Signed on behalf of the Armed Forces Charity – The Royal British Legion

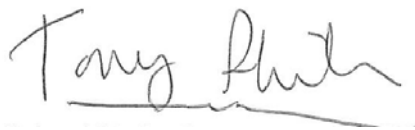


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Name: Councillor David Elvidge

Position Held: Member Armed Forces Champion East Riding of Yorkshire Council

Signed on behalf of the Council



Signed:

Name: Colonel (Retired) A W Philips MBE

Position Held: Chair, Yorkshire and Humberside

Signed on behalf of the Armed Forces Charity – Veterans Advisory and Pensions Committee



Signed:

Name: Michael H Menzies-Baird

Position Held: Branch Chairman, East Yorkshire

Signed on behalf of the Armed Forces Charity – Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association



Signed:

Name: Nick Middleton

Position Held: Head of Community Development, HEY Smile Foundation

Signed on behalf of the Voluntary and Community Sector



Signed:

Name: Tracey Wharvell

Position Held: Chair

Signed on behalf of Hull and East Riding Citizens Advice Bureau

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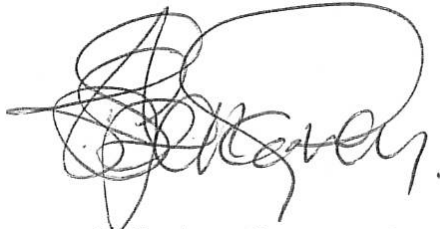


Name: Jane Hawkard

Position Held: Chief Officer

Signed on behalf of the East Riding Clinical Commissioning Group

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Name: Sally-Ann Spencer Grey

Position Held: Patient Champion and Lay Member for Patient and Public Involvement

Signed on behalf of the East Riding Clinical Commissioning Group

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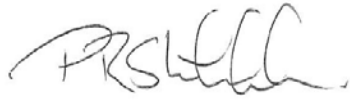


Name: Peter Beckwith

Position Held: Director of Finance

Signed on behalf of Humber Teaching NHS Foundation Trust

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Position Held: Deputy Chief Fire Officer

Signed on behalf of Humberside Fire and Rescue

Signed:



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Signed on behalf of Humberside Police

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Signed:



Name:

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Position Held: Community Director

Signed on behalf of Humberside Community Rehabilitation Company

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Name:

Julian Minshall

Position Held: Chairman

Signed on behalf of Beverley Chamber of Trade

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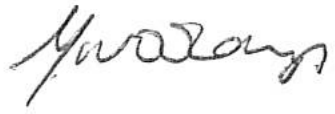


Name:

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Signed on behalf of the University of Hull



Signed:

Name: Helen Wooldridge

Position Held: Assistant Principal

Signed on behalf of East Riding College

SECTION 1: PARTICIPANTS

1.1 This Armed Forces Covenant is made between:

The serving and former members of the Armed Forces and their families working and residing in East Riding of Yorkshire

And

EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

And

The Public, Charitable and Voluntary Sectors

And

Other members of the civilian community

SECTION 2: PRINCIPLES OF THE ARMED FORCES COVENANT

2.1 The Armed Forces Covenant is a voluntary statement of mutual support between a civilian community and its local Armed Forces Community. This Covenant encompasses the moral obligation between the Nation, the Government and the Armed Forces, at a local level.

2.1 The Armed Forces Covenant is based upon two key principles:

- The Armed Forces Community should not face disadvantage compared to other citizens in the provision of public and commercial services.
- Special consideration is appropriate in some cases, especially for those who have given most such as the injured and the bereaved.

2.3 The purpose of this Covenant is to encourage support for the Armed Forces Community working and residing in East Riding of Yorkshire and to recognise and remember the sacrifices made by members of this Armed Forces Community, particularly those who have given the most. This includes in-Service and ex-Service personnel, their families and widow(er)s in East Riding of Yorkshire.

2.4 For East Riding of Yorkshire Council and partner organisations, the Community Covenant presents an opportunity to bring their knowledge, experience and expertise to bear on the provision of help and advice to members of the Armed Forces Community. It also presents an opportunity to build upon existing good work on other initiatives such as the Welfare Pathway.

2.5 For the Armed Forces Community, the Covenant encourages the integration of Service life into civilian life and encourages members of the Armed Forces Community to help their local community.

SECTION 3: OBJECTIVES AND GENERAL INTENTIONS

Aims of the Covenant

3.1 The Armed Forces Covenant defines the enduring, general principles that should govern the relationship between the Nation, the Government and the Armed Forces Community.

3.2 It aims to encourage all parties within a community to offer support to the local Armed Forces Community and make it easier for Service personnel, families and veterans to access the help and support available from the MOD; statutory providers and the Charitable and Voluntary Sector. These organisations already work together in partnership at a local level.

3.3 The scheme is intended to be a two-way arrangement and the Armed Forces Community are encouraged to do as much as they can to support their community and promote activity which integrates the Service community into civilian life.

SECTION 4: PRIORITIES

The work and actions have been identified by research and discussion between partners to this Covenant. There are five thematic areas identified and a Community Covenant Delivery Group has been developed with the aim to:

1. Improve communication between the military, public and private bodies, voluntary and community groups and local communities.
2. Continually assess whether the level of provision currently available for the Armed Forces community is adequate and ascertain if there are areas which need review and ensure there is equal access to those services.

The identified priorities for the East Riding under each of the five thematic areas are:

Health

- The Armed Forces Community will enjoy the same standard of, and access to, healthcare as that received by any other citizen in the local community. Veterans will receive priority treatment where it relates to a condition which results from their service, subject to clinical need.

Employment, Adult Education and Training

- Closer working and improved co-ordination will be achieved between the Council, the Regular Forces Employment Agency, the Career Transition Partnership and Jobcentre Plus to assist service leavers with the transition from military service to civilian life.
- The Armed Forces Community will have access to training and education. Skills support will be provided to assist them to find suitable employment.

Childcare and Education

- Children of members of the Armed Forces will have the same access to education as any other local resident.
- Service Pupil Premium funding will be maximised allowing Children of members of the Armed Forces to be provided with pastoral support.

Housing

- The Armed Forces Community will be provided with high quality guidance and support when applying for Social Housing and private rented accommodation.

Money Matters and Financial Capability

- The Armed Forces Community will have access to the same welfare benefits as any other resident.

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THE ARMED FORCES COVENANT

An Enduring Covenant Between

The People of the United Kingdom
Her Majesty's Government

– and –

All those who serve or have served in the Armed Forces of
the Crown

And their Families

The first duty of Government is the defence of the realm. Our Armed Forces fulfil that responsibility on behalf of the Government, sacrificing some civilian freedoms, facing danger and, sometimes, suffering serious injury or death as a result of their duty. Families also play a vital role in supporting the operational effectiveness of our Armed Forces. In return, the whole nation has a moral obligation to the members of the Naval Service, the Army and the Royal Air Force, together with their families. They deserve our respect and support, and fair treatment.

Those who serve in the Armed Forces, whether Regular or Reserve, those who have served in the past, and their families, should face no disadvantage compared to other citizens in the provision of public and commercial services. Special consideration is appropriate in some cases, especially for those who have given most such as the injured and the bereaved.

This obligation involves the whole of society: it includes voluntary and charitable bodies, private organisations, and the actions of individuals in supporting the Armed Forces. Recognising those who have performed military duty unites the country and demonstrates the value of their contribution. This has no greater expression than in upholding this Covenant.