

The Armed Forces Corporate Covenant

The Welwyn Hatfield Times

We, the undersigned, commit to honour the Armed Forces Covenant and support the Armed Forces Community. We recognise the value Serving Personnel, both Regular and Reservists, Veterans and military families contribute to our business and our country.

Signed on behalf of The Welwyn Hatfield Times

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Section 1: Principles Of The Armed Forces Corporate Covenant

- 1.1 We The Welwyn Hatfield Times will endeavour in our business dealings to uphold the key principles of the Armed Forces Covenant, which are:
 - no member of the Armed Forces Community should face disadvantage in the provision of public and commercial services compared to any other citizen
 - in some circumstances special treatment may be appropriate especially for the injured or bereaved.

Section 2: Demonstrating our Commitment

- 2.1 The Welwyn Hatfield Times recognises the value serving personnel, reservists, veterans and military families bring to our business. We will seek to uphold the principles of the Armed Forces Covenant, by:
 - promoting the fact that we are an armed forces-friendly organisation;
 - seeking to support the employment of veterans young and old;
 - striving to support the employment of Service spouses and partners;
 - endeavouring to offer a degree of flexibility in granting leave for Service spouses and partners before, during and after a partner's deployment;
 - seeking to support our employees who choose to be members of the Reserve forces, including by accommodating their training and deployment where possible;
 - offering support to our local cadet units, either in our local community or in local schools, where possible;
 - aiming to actively participate in Armed Forces Day;
 - offering a discount to members of the Armed Forces Community;
- 2.2 We will publicise these commitments through our literature and/or on our website, setting out how we will seek to honour them and inviting feedback from the Service community and our customers on how we are doing.