Bright Green Business

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:
Bright Green Business

Signed: [Signature]

Position: CEO
Date: 2/5/18
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.
Section 1: Principles Of The Armed Forces Covenant

1.1 We Bright Green Business 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 Bright Green Business 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;
  
  Utilising BGB’s communication platforms including but not limited to our website, Newsletters and social media
- seeking to support the employment of veterans young and old and working with the Career Transition Partnership (CTP), in order to establish a tailored employment pathway for Service Leavers;
  
  We will support internships and employment opportunities for veterans with relevant agencies and partners
- striving to support the employment of Service spouses and partners;
  
  We will welcome applications for employment and internships by 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;
  
  We will ensure that the needs of Service Spouses & partners are taken into consideration in our HR policies
• seeking to support our employees who choose to be members of the Reserve forces, including by accommodating their training and deployment where possible;

  *We will make provision for requirements of reservists employed in our organisation wherever possible*

• aiming to actively participate in Armed Forces Day;

  *We will support, wherever possible, the engagement of the business community to participate in events in their local community*

• offering a discount to members of the Armed Forces Community;

  *Offer membership discounts for our Bright Green Business Network to Veterans*

• We will promote and be strong advocates for business taking a Veteran through our Internship programme and we will offer on-going support.

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.