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I write to comment on the proposed specific duties set out in the document, Equality Act 2010: The public sector Equality Duty: reducing bureaucracy, published on 17 March 2011.

We fully support the changes set out in the document and the amended version of the draft specific duties regulations.

We agree that the emphasis should be on reducing prescriptive process requirements and allowing public authorities the freedom to decide how they meet the duties, while ensuring that they are accountable to their local communities for this.

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