

# **The Haigh Foundation**

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 Haigh Foundation** 

Signed: A Haigh.

Position: Trustee

Date: 02/02/2021



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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.

### **Section 1: Principles of The Armed Forces Covenant**

- 1.1 We **The Haigh Foundation** will endeavour in our charitable 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 We recognise the value serving personnel, reservists, veterans and military families bring to our business and to our country. We will seek to uphold the principles of the Armed Forces Covenant, by:
  - **Promoting the Armed Forces:** promoting the fact that we are an Armed Forces-friendly organisation, to our staff, customers, suppliers, contractors and wider public.
  - **Veterans:** supporting the employment of veterans who are disabled or chronically ill, enabling them through our Minds Flight project in recognising military transferable skills and qualifications in order to gain employment; working with the Career Transition Partnership (CTP) to support the employment of Service leavers;
  - **Service Spouses & Partners:** to show our commitment to the armed forces community and their carers and young carers through our Minds Flight project (www.mindsflight.com).
  - **National Events:** supporting Armed Forces Day, Reserves Day, the Poppy Appeal Day and Remembrance activities;
  - Armed Forces Charities: supporting Armed Forces charities by partnering or working with them on our projects;
  - **Helping Disabled Veterans:** show our commitment to the armed forces community and their carers and young carers through our Minds Flight project (www.mindsflight.com).
- 2.2 We will publicise these commitments through our literature and/or on our websites, (<a href="www.thehaighfoundation">www.mindsflight.com</a>) setting out how we will seek to honour them and inviting feedback from the Service community and our customers on how we are doing.