

**Housing, Economy and Business Committee 15 December 2015****Report Title: Petition – Home for Heroes Wallington****Appendix B**“Extracts from the Council’s Housing Allocations Policy:

## Para 4.7 Armed Forces &amp; Reserve Forces Personnel

Para 4.7.1 Households who fall into one of the following categories will be given additional preference on the Housing Register:

- members of the Armed Forces and former service personnel, where the application is made within 5 years of discharge
- serving or former members of the Reserve Forces who need to move because of serious injury, medical condition or disability sustained as a result of their service
- bereaved spouses and civil partners of members of the Armed Forces leaving Services Family Accommodation following the death of their spouse or partner

Para 4.7.2 Households who fall into a reasonable preference category will qualify for inclusion on the Housing Register regardless of their local connection / residency and will be given additional preference by being placed at the top of the band that for which their application qualifies.

Para 4.7.3 Armed forces personnel who fall outside of the reasonable preference categories, whether or not they have a local connection, will be given some preference on the Housing Register and will be placed in Band D.

## Para 10.3 Local Lettings Plans

Para 10.3.1 At times, it may be necessary to agree a local lettings plan to ensure balanced communities is achieved with regard to economic and social factors of household on an estate or area and to ensure that the agreed key objectives of the Authority’s Allocation Policy being met. The following criteria must be met:

- Clear objectives are agreed aimed at preventing or tackling defined social problems or creating balanced communities
- Defined set of outcomes agreed
- Outcomes monitored and reported on annually
- It forms part of a strategy for tackling defined social problems or creating balanced communities
- It has clear objectives aimed at redressing any identified inequality in accessing housing
- It will not have disproportionate negative effect on other key objectives negating value of action
- It will be applied for an agreed fixed period
- Arrangements must be monitored and reviewed against established objective
- Recommendation to adopt such an action will be considered and agreed by the Housing Needs and Homelessness Prevention Service Manager

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