



WEST LANCASHIRE COMMUNITY COVENANT WORKING GROUP

DATE: 28 June 2018

VENUE: Cabinet & Committee Room, West Lancashire Borough Council

SUBJECT: WEST LANCASHIRE COMMUNITY COVENANT WORKING GROUP -
ACTION PLAN

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To consider the revised Action Plan.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That any revisions to the Action Plan (Appendix A) agreed at the meeting be incorporated and the Action Plan be updated.

2.2 That a report be submitted to the next meeting on progress against the actions.

3.0 CURRENT POSITION

3.1 Since the last meeting there has been progress in relation to the following action:

H.1 Explore discount for leisure facilities for armed forces

Discounts to veterans with a MOD defence discount card have been secured at the Arts Centre and Sports Centre at Edge Hill University and also in relation to membership of Park Pool, Nye Bevan Pool and Burscough Sports Centre via West Lancs. Community Leisure.

The Defence Discount Service offers a discount scheme to Armed Forces veterans and the Armed Forces Community by way of an online discount scheme and through the purchase of a Defence Privilege Card (£4.99 for 5 years).

- 3.2 In respect of the **G.7** (Explore the introduction of retail discounts for Defence Discount Card holders), the Council has actively promoted the scheme to the Ormskirk Business Action Group and other partner contacts in respect of Ormskirk Town Centre. Regarding the retail units within the Concourse, Skelmersdale, Councillor Devine (Armed Forces Champion) has made some initial contact with individual retailers and the management company has been contacted formally to ascertain whether they would support the promotion of the scheme and to ask the retailers to consider adopting a discount service for veterans.
- 3.3 Further information regarding the Defence Discount Service can be obtained from their website:-
<https://www.defencediscountservice.co.uk/>
- 3.4 The Working Group is requested to consider any further revisions to the Action Plan.