



## **Consultation on the Draft Equality Action Plan 2023-2027**

Newry, Mourne and Down District Council gives notice that its Draft Equality Action Plan 2023-2027 is open for consultation, available for inspection and public comment.

### **Draft Equality Action Plan 2023-2027**

This plan sets out the Council's commitment to ensuring it fulfils its statutory obligation regarding Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998.

### **Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998**

Section 75 (1) states that public authorities in carrying out its functions relating to Northern Ireland have due regard to the need to promote equality of opportunity:

- Between persons of different religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, material status or sexual orientation;
- Between men and women generally;
- Between persons with a disability and persons without; and
- Between persons with dependents and person without.

Section 75 (2) states that public authorities in carrying out its functions relation to Northern Ireland have regard to the desirability of promoting good relations between persons of different religious belief, political opinion and racial groups.

Newry, Mourne and Down District Council is committed to the fulfilment of its Equality duties in all parts of its organisation and this action plan sets out how it intends to do so. The positive actions detailed within the plan met the 5 principles of the Equality and Diversity Framework.

**The consultation period for the draft Equality Action Plan 2023-2027 will close on Monday 12 June 2023.**

The consultation documents and online survey are available via the following link  
<https://speaknmd.commonplace.is/proposals/draft-equality-action-plan-2023-2027/step1>

Alternatively, they can be requested from the Corporate Policy Section:

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