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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY 2018

12.0 Equal Opportunity Policy

This Policy is intended to ensure that employees understand their obligations and assist the Company in putting its commitment to equal opportunities and diversity in to practice.

We aim to treat everyone equally and to ensure that no job applicant, employee, worker or customer is discriminated against on the grounds of a protected characteristic as defined by the Equality Act 2010.

The following are protected characteristics:

- a. Age
- b. Disability
- c. Gender Reassignment
- d. Marriage and Civil Partnerships
- e. Pregnancy and Maternity
- f. Race (including colour, nationality, and ethnic or national origin)
- g. Religion or Race
- h. Sex
- i. Sexual Orientation

In addition, we aim to ensure that no job applicant, employee or worker is treated less favourably or placed at a disadvantage on the grounds of their part-time status or trade union activities.

This applies in the advertisement of jobs, recruitment, appointment, provision of benefits, allocation of training, promotion, disciplinary proceedings, dismissal, conditions of work, pay, giving a reference, the provision of goods or services and every other activity and aspect of employment. If you believe that you have been treated less favourably because of a protected characteristic you should report the matter so that it can be investigated and resolved.