

### North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority

### Strategic Equality Plan

2016-2020

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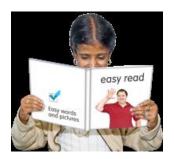
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#### Equality for people in North Wales

This is an easy read version of North Wales Fire and

Rescue Services document called

#### Strategic Equality Plan 2016 – 2020



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What is the Strategic Equality Plan?

Equality is about treating everyone fairly



Diversity is how people can be different from each other



# What is the Strategic Equality Plan? Plan



A Plan is a document that says what will happen

#### **Being treated fairly**



Everyone should be treated fairly

Everyone has the right to get the things that they need to

- Be well
- Be safe
- Feel respected

#### Why is there a Strategic Equality Plan?



The Service has a Strategic Equality Plan to make sure it does what the law says

The law says that North Wales Fire and Rescue Service must treat all people fairly



The Strategic Equality Plan helps to make sure that the Service treats everyone in North Wales fairly

It helps to make everyone feel safe and respected



It helps to make sure that everyone can get what they need

It helps to make sure that people are not treated differently

#### People should not be treated differently because of

Age



If they are old or young

Disability



If they are **disabled** 

Gender





If they are male or female

# People should not be treated differently because of their sexuality



If someone is **straight** If a **women** loves a **man** If a **man** loves a **woman** 



If someone is **gay** If a **man** loves another **man** 



If someone is a **lesbian** If a **woman** loves another **woman** 



If someone is **bisexual** If someone loves **men** or **women** 

## People should not be treated differently because of their



#### Race

If they come from another country or if they have different coloured skin



#### Language

If they speak a different language



#### **Religion or belief**

If they believe in something or not

## People should not be treated differently because of their



#### **Gender Identity**

If they are born as a **male** but choose to live their life as a **female** 

If they are born as a **female** but choose to live their life as a **male** 





#### Marital status

A man and woman are married

If two **men** are married or in a civil partnership

If two **women** are married or in a civil partnership



#### Pregnancy

If a women is pregnant

If a woman has recently had a baby

#### The plan is to ensure:



People who **live** in North Wales are treated fairly





People who **work** in North Wales are treated fairly





People who **visit** North Wales are treated fairly

#### Who helps write the plan?

Fire and Rescue Service Managers and Staff





**Community groups** and different organisations

#### People who live in North Wales



They help the Service decide what should be written in the plan

They help the Service decide what the plan will try and do for the next 4 years

Who will make sure the plan happens



All the staff working for the Service and the Fire Authority Members make sure that everyone is treated fairly

#### What will the Service Do?

The Service will:



Make sure it talks to people about the work the Service is planning

**Reduce Dwelling Fires** 



Increase the employment prospects of people who might otherwise find it difficult to gain equal access to the world of work.



Reduce the risk of death or injury from fires in North Wales



Encourage more people to involve themselves in the process of determining the way fire and rescue services are delivered in North Wales.





Improve access to information and communications with the Service, and improve physical access to fire and rescue service buildings the public access.

#### How the service makes sure the plan happens?



It is important to the Service that they are treating everyone fairly



The Service achieves this with equality impact assessments



An equality impact assessment looks at the thing the Service does to check that they are fair to everyone



The plan promises that they will carry on doing equality impact assessments for the next 4 years.

#### How will the Service make sure the plan happens?



The Service will check the plan very carefully to make sure that it is helping people in North Wales



Every year the Service will write a report on how much work has been done in the plan

You can get the reports if you contact the Services Equality Adviser at:



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