DIVERSITY POLICY

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A GUIDE FOR RESIDENTS



JOSEPH ROWNTREE HOUSING TRUST

JRHT

This leaflet explains our diversity policy and how it works, including:

- An explanation of who equality of opportunity applies to and why;
- How we develop new homes to ensure equality of opportunity;
- Details of our housing and housing services;
- How we encourage the involvement of residents;
- Our diversity policies for employees and contractors, consultants and other agents who work with JRHT;
- Our commitment to working with organisations and voluntary groups who have special skills and experience in diversity and the needs of under-represented groups.

Equality for whom?

We believe in equality of opportunity for everyone:

- age;
- disability;
- gender;
- gender reassignment;
- race;
- religion or belief;
- sexual orientation;
- marriage and civil partnership status;
- pregnancy and maternity;
- poverty.

Our policy means we:

- design and build new homes to Lifetime Homes standards to meet people's changing needs over time;
- offer housing and housing services that are delivered fairly and are accessible to all residents;
- encourage the involvement of all residents in our work, particularly those from under-represented groups;

- take speedy and effective action to deal with any form of harassment against or by a resident, employee, committee member or one of our agents;
- openly and fairly recruit the people who work for us so there is equality of opportunity for all job applicants;
- work to ensure that the people we employ represent a cross-section of the communities in which we work;
- openly and fairly choose the contractors, consultants and other agents who work for us;
- actively work to ensure that contractors, consultants and other agents represent a cross-section of the communities in which we work:
- expect all contractors, consultants and agents to show that they have effective diversity policies or agree to sign up to our policy before they can work for us;
- work with organisations and voluntary groups who have special skills and experience in diversity and the needs of under-represented groups.

The Chief Executive of the Joseph Rowntree Foundation and the senior management team have overall responsibility for implementing the diversity policy.

For more information

This leaflet is a summary of our diversity policy. If you would like a copy of the full policy, please contact us.

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