

Policy Document

CARED 4 CHILDREN JOINING THE ARMED FORCES





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- Additional material necessary to the delivery of the policy document requirements
- Implementation plan
- Equality Impact Assessment



Cared 4 Children Joining the Armed Forces

As a corporate parent, the Local Authority has considered carefully its position in consenting to young people entering the armed forces.

It is usual for children aged under 18 years wishing to serve in the armed forces to engage in a college environment associated with the armed service area of their choice. It is not usual for children to engage in front line services being called up to serve in battle for their country during a time of war.

The Local Authority is responsible for all children subject to Care Orders until age 18, and as such will not consent to these young people engaging in front line service (in battle) with any armed force as ultimately this could result in the death or serious injury of a young person if they were called up to serve their country at a time of war. Consent will be given to young people to attend an armed forces college course, preparing them to serve on the front line once they reach adulthood at age 18. This will require Head of Service permission/authorisation.





