

## ULSTER SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT LIMITED

### SECTION 75 EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY SCREENING

<b>Policy Title (in full)</b>	Gifts and Hospitality
<b>Policy Aim</b>	The purpose of this policy is to: a. Detail the fundamental principles underlying the provision & acceptance of gifts, hospitality and awards offered by outside organisations b. Outline role and responsibilities of Usel Directors, Management team and staff c. Detail the procedures to be followed
<b>Decision (delete as appropriate)</b>	Policy screened out <b>without</b> mitigation
<b>Business Area</b>	<b>Corporate Services</b>
<b>Contact</b>	<b>Sarah-Jane Mowbray</b>
<b>Date of form completion</b>	<b>24/08/17</b>

#### For HR Department completion:

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## Information about the policy

Name of the policy  
Gifts and Hospitality

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Is this an existing, revised or a new policy?  
New

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What is it trying to achieve? (intended aims/outcomes)

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- a. Detail the fundamental principles underlying the provision & acceptance of gifts, hospitality and awards offered by outside organisations
- b. Outline role and responsibilities of Usel Directors, Management team and staff
- c. Detail the procedures to be followed

Are there any Section 75 categories which might be expected to benefit from the intended policy?

If so, explain how.

No

Who initiated or wrote the policy?

Business Improvement Officer

Who owns and who implements the policy?

Head of Corporate Services

## Implementation factors

Are there any factors which could contribute to/detract from the intended aim/outcome of the policy/decision?

If yes, are they

- financial
- legislative
- other, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

## Main stakeholders affected

Who are the internal and external stakeholders (actual or potential) that the policy will impact upon?

- staff
- service users
- other public sector organisations
- voluntary/community/trade unions
- other, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

## Other policies with a bearing on this policy

- what are they?

Disciplinary

- who owns them?

Head of Corporate Services

## Available evidence

What evidence/information (both qualitative and quantitative) have you gathered to inform this policy? Specify details for each of the Section 75 categories.

Section 75 category	Details of evidence/information
Religious belief	This policy was written then approved by the senior leadership and directors of Usel. The fundamental principle is that no Director, Manager and member of staff should do anything which might give rise to the impression to their colleagues, members of the public, or people with whom they deal that they have or may have been, influenced by a gift, hospitality or other consideration to show bias for or against any person or organisation while carrying out Usel duties
Political opinion	<b>As above</b>
Racial group	<b>As above</b>
Age	<b>As above</b>
Marital status	<b>As above</b>
Sexual orientation	<b>As above</b>
Men and women generally	<b>As above</b>
Disability	<b>As above</b>
Dependants	<b>As above</b>

## Needs, experiences and priorities

Taking into account the information referred to above, what are the different needs, experiences and priorities of each of the following categories, in relation to the particular policy/decision? Specify details for each of the Section 75 categories

Section 75 category	Details of needs/experiences/priorities
Religious belief	The policy will not adversely affect any of the groups covered by S75
Political opinion	As above
Racial group	As above
Age	As above
Marital status	As above
Sexual orientation	As above
Men and women generally	As above
Disability	As above
Dependants	As above

## Screening questions

1 What is the likely impact on equality of opportunity for those affected by this policy, for each of the Section 75 equality categories? minor/major/none		
Section 75 category	Details of policy impact	Level of impact? minor/major/none
Religious belief	The policy has no impact of religious belief	None
Political opinion	The policy has no impact on political opinion	None
Racial group	The policy has no impact on racial group	None
Age	The policy has no impact on age	None
Marital status	The policy has no impact on marital status	None
Sexual orientation	The policy has no impact on sexual orientation	None
Men and women generally	The policy has no impact on men and women generally	None
Disability	The policy has no impact on those with a disability	None

Dependants	The policy has no impact on those with dependants	None
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**2** Are there opportunities to better promote equality of opportunity for people within the Section 75 equalities categories?

Section 75 category	If <b>Yes</b> , provide details	If <b>No</b> , provide reasons
Religious belief		This policy is to ensure no Director, Manager and member of staff should do anything which might give rise to the impression to their colleagues, members of the public, or people with whom they deal that they have or may have been, influenced by a gift, hospitality or other consideration to show bias for or against any person or organisation while carrying out Usel duties, regardless of Section 75 Categories
Political opinion		As above
Racial group		As above
Age		As above
Marital status		As above
Sexual orientation		As above

Men and women generally		As above
Disability		As above
Dependants		As above

3 To what extent is the policy likely to impact on good relations between people of different religious belief, political opinion or racial group? minor/major/none		
Good relations category	Details of policy impact	Level of impact minor/major/none
Religious belief	No impact on religious belief	None
Political opinion	No impact on political opinion	None
Racial group	No impact on racial group	None

4 Are there opportunities to better promote good relations between people of different religious belief, political opinion or racial group?		
Good relations category	If <b>Yes</b> , provide details	If <b>No</b> , provide reasons

Religious belief		This policy is to ensure no Director, Manager and member of staff should do anything which might give rise to the impression to their colleagues, members of the public, or people with whom they deal that they have or may have been, influenced by a gift, hospitality or other consideration to show bias for or against any person or organisation while carrying out Usel duties, regardless of Section 75 Categories
Political opinion		As above
Racial group		As above

### Additional considerations

#### Multiple identity

Generally speaking, people can fall into more than one Section 75 category. Taking this into consideration, are there any potential impacts of the policy/decision on people with multiple identities?

*(For example; disabled minority ethnic people; disabled women; young Protestant men; and young lesbians, gay and bisexual people).*

Provide details of data on the impact of the policy on people with multiple identities. Specify relevant Section 75 categories concerned.

Not affected by multiple identity-processes will be applied to all groups

## Screening decision

If the decision is not to conduct an equality impact assessment, please provide details of the reasons.

Based on the answers above we recommend the policy is screened out. The policy supports, rather than adversely impacts upon any of the groups covered by S75

## Part 5 - Approval and authorisation

<b>Screened by:</b>	<b>Position/Job Title</b>	<b>Date</b>
Patrice Devine	Business Improvement Officer	30/08/17
<b>Approved by:</b>		
Sarah-Jane Mowbray	Head of Corporate Services	30/08/17