East Herts Council Report

Human Resources Committee

Date of meeting: Wednesday 13 September 2023

Report by: Head of Human Resources and OD

Report title: Annual Equalities Report

Ward(s) affected: None

Summary – Annual report reporting on protected equalities characteristics against EHC workforce profile including prospective employees

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR Human Resources Committee:

- **a)** The Annual Equalities Report 2022/23 be noted.
- **b)** The recommendations set out in the 2023/24 action plan are considered and approved

1.0 Proposal(s)

1.1 Members are invited to consider the Annual Equalities Report 2022/23 and approve the 2023/24 action plan.

2.0 Background

2.1 Human Resources produce an annual equalities report which provides a detailed analysis of the council's workforce and external applicants applying for jobs, by the protected characteristics of the Equality Act 2010.

- 2.2 The Equality Act protects people from discrimination on the basis of protected characteristics, which include age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, gender, sexual orientation, and marriage and civil partnership.
- 2.3 Public sector bodies with more than 150 employees are required to publish data on equality in their workforces annually.
- 2.4 Leadership Team approved the report and action plan on1 August 2023.

3.0 Report

3.1 Please see Appendix A for the full report.

4.0 Implications/Consultations

Community Safety

No

Data Protection

No

Equalities

As detailed in the report

Environmental Sustainability

No

Financial

No

Health and Safety

No

Human Resources

As detailed in the report

Human Rights

No

Legal

No

Specific Wards

No

5.0 Background papers, appendices and other relevant material

Appendix A – Annual Equalities Report 2022/23.

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