

## COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT (COE)

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### CITY OF DERBY

#### Period covered by this Communication on Engagement

From: 7 June 2017

To: 6 June 2019

#### Part I. Statement of Continued Support by the Chief Executive or Equivalent

6 June 2019

To our stakeholders:

I am pleased to confirm that the City of Derby reaffirms its support to the United Nations Global Compact and its Ten Principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-Corruption. This is our Communication on Engagement with the United Nations Global Compact. We welcome feedback on its contents.

In this Communication of Engagement, we describe the actions that our organization has taken to support the UN Global Compact and its Principles as suggested for an organization like ours. We also commit to sharing this information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication.

Yours sincerely,

*S. Jennings*

Susan Jennings  
Secretariat of City of Derby UN Global Compact Cities Partnership

#### Part II. Description of Actions

Following the signing of the letter of commitment in June 2017, the City of Derby formed an Advisory Group of representative parties in the City to determine and steer the City's approach to its commitment to the UN Global Compact (UNGC). This Group has met regularly over the past 2 years and has conducted an evaluative approach to implementing its commitment.

The Group identified and agreed that the most effective way to achieve impactful and sustainable outcomes was to identify, explore and forge a reconciliation of competing City agendas. It is hoped that this approach will smooth the path of implementation for the UNGC and will maximise the prospects for a beneficial outcome.

The Advisory Group commissioned the University of Derby to carry out a City-wide consultation involving a survey, focus groups, and interviews with key stakeholders, aimed at gauging opinion as to how the City of Derby can best shape its commitment to the UNGC.

The outcome of this consultation and an analysis of it has been captured in a report which is set out below:



Activity carried out by Derby City Council in support of the UNGC agenda is captured in this statement below:



An example of activity carried out by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire and Derbyshire Constabulary in support of combating Modern Slavery is captured in the statement below:



### **Part III. Measurement of Outcomes**

The report prepared by the University of Derby identified that there is considerable enthusiasm for engagement from major stakeholders in Derby's economy, polity, and wider society and from sections of the voluntary and community sector, with priority areas identified in equalities and diversity, education; environment; health and well-being together with combating modern slavery and human trafficking as a key issue for action.

Considerable activity is already underway as evidenced by the statements included above by Derby City Council and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire and Derbyshire Constabulary.

The stakeholders agreed that taking Derby's UNGC project forward would require a governance structure, and a consensus emerged that this should be comprised of:

- A 'champion' or leadership figure
- Leadership or strategic board
- Delivery board, executing tasks and managing a small number of priority projects.

The Advisory Group has since taken a decision to form a Senior Leadership Board to develop a strategy for actioning and driving forwards a single Citywide agenda shared by all key stakeholders in the City, built around the UNGC as a totem.

This Senior Leadership Board is in the process of being formed to progress and drive forwards this agenda.