

# CABINET MEMBER DECISION



SOUTH  
KESTEVEN  
DISTRICT  
COUNCIL

## **Decision:**

**To introduce an Armed Forces Discount Card scheme as set out in report ACEX009.**

### **(1) Details of Decision**

To seek approval to introduce an Armed Forces Discount Card scheme.

### **(2) Considerations/Evidence**

The design and administration of the scheme is set out in report ACEX009 – Armed Forces Discount Card, which was considered by Rural Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 23 January 2019. The committee agreed the proposal that entry to the scheme will be marked by the issuing of a card, detailing only a surname, service number and expiry date to minimise any data protection issues.

### **(3) Reasons for Decision:**

South Kesteven currently has one operational military base, the Prince William of Gloucester Barracks in Grantham. However, there are a number of serving personnel living within the district serving at military bases positioned outside of the South Kesteven border. There are the Rutland Barracks (Kendrew and St Georges), Wittering to the south of Stamford and others to the East of Grantham (such as RAF Cranwell). There is also a 'strong' reservist community.

As a county Lincolnshire has a rich RAF heritage, with South Kesteven having a significant veteran population. In 2015, data showed that the district had in excess of 3,000 veterans in receipt of a military pension. When those veterans who live in South Kesteven but are not receiving a military pension (through ineligibility or not being old enough to claim their military pension) are considered the veteran population could be in excess of 4,000.

### **Conflicts of Interest**

(Any conflict of interest declared by any other Cabinet Member consulted in relation to the decision to be recorded).

None

### **Dispensations**

(Any dispensation granted by the Monitoring Officer in respect of any declared conflict of interest to be noted).

None

### **Decision taken by:**

Name: Councillor Nick Neilson  
Cabinet Member for Housing

**Date of Decision:** 19 February 2019

**Date of Publication of Record of Decision:** 20 February 2019

**Date decision effective** (i.e. 5 days after the date of publication of record of decision unless subject to call-in by the Chairman of an Overview and Scrutiny Committee or any 5 members of the Council from any political groups):

28 February 2019