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| Volunteer Recruitment Equality and Diversity Form |
| Name:  | Volunteer Reference Number: |
| **Devon in Sight** assures you that any information you provide here will only be used to monitor the effectiveness of our policies and we will take steps to ensure this information remains confidential to a limited number of staff.**This sheet will be separated from your application to be a volunteer form and will not be made available to those involved in the selection process.** |
| The following sets out categories for monitoring ethnicity. We ask you respond to this information request positively as it will help us ensure that our policies and practices do not inadvertently discriminate against you because of your ethnicity. |
| Ethnic Group |
| How would you describe yourself?Choose ONE section from A to E, and then tick the appropriate box |
| **A.** | Asian or Asian British | **D.** | Mixed Heritage |
|[ ]  Bangladeshi |[ ]  White and Asian |
|[ ]  Indian |[ ]  White and Black African |
|[ ]  Pakistani |[ ]  White and Black Caribbean |
|[ ]  Any other Asian background |  | Any other Mixed background |
|  | Please give details below: |  | Please give details below: |
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| **B.** | Black or Black British | **E.** | White |
|[ ]  African |[ ]  British |
|[ ]  Caribbean |[ ]  English |
|[ ]  Any other Black background |[ ]  Irish |
|  | Please give details: |[ ]  Scottish |
|  |  |[ ]  Welsh |
| **C.** | **Chinese or other ethnic group** |[ ]  Any other White background |
|[ ]  Chinese |  | Please give details below: |
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| **F:** | **Any other** please give details  | **G.**  |  |
|[ ]   | [ ]  | Prefer not to say |
| Disability |
| To make positive changes, Devon in Sight wants to address the different barriers faced by disabled people. Many people who do not consider themselves to be disabled may be covered by the Equality Act 2010 because they have a health condition that has an impact on their lives. **What do we mean when we say disability?** 1. Do you have a physical or mental impairment?
2. Is it long term?
3. Does this make it difficult for you to do the things that most people do on a fairly regular and frequent basis?

If so, you may have rights under **The Equality Act 2010**. This includes people who are receiving treatment or using equipment (except glasses or contact lenses) that alleviates the effects of an impairment or a condition, people with an impairment or condition that is likely to recur, people who have conditions that will get worse over time and people with severe disfigurements. Volunteers with a disability or health condition are entitled in law to ‘reasonable adjustments’ to address their needs for support in the volunteering. Therefore we are interested in any disability or health condition that may require a reasonable adjustment to overcome any such barriers. |
| **Do you consider yourself to have a disability or a long-term health condition?** |[ ]  Yes |
|  |[ ]  No |
| **What is the effect or impact of your disability or health condition?** |
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|  |[ ]  Prefer not to say |
| If you would like to discuss your response, or are unsure of the types of reasonable adjustment that might be possible, please contact us and we will help and support you. Devon in Sight is committed to creating an environment where barriers are removed for disabled people and they can give of their best to succeed in our organisations. |
| Gender |
| Concentrations of either men or women into certain jobs, the impact of family commitments are some reasons why men and women experience the volunteering differently. Gender monitoring is key to ensuring that all volunteers have access to the same opportunities and Devon in Sight is committed to work at achieving this. |
| **Would you describe yourself as:** |
|[ ]  Male |[ ]  Female |[ ]  Prefer not to say |
| Sexual Orientation |
| Monitoring sexual orientation in our volunteers and in our recruits is a significant step towards acknowledging gay, lesbian and bi-sexual volunteers within Devon in Sight Devon in Sight seeks to become an exemplar charity and make sure our processes and practices are fair to all staff. Please help us and do this by completing the following questions around your sexual orientation.Devon in Sight will only use this information for ensuring its policies work fairly for all and that your sexual orientation does not count against you. We will ensure in any analysis that is made public that it will not be possible to identify you.  |
| **What is your sexual orientation?** |
|[ ]  Bi-sexual |[ ]  Gay Man |[ ]  Gay Woman / Lesbian |
|[ ]  Heterosexual / Straight |[ ]  Other |[ ]  Prefer not to say |
| Age  |
| We all have an age. Age discrimination regulations are designed to ensure that you are judged only by your abilities and not your age. Greater experience does not always associate itself with greater ability and neither does older age and inability to learn new skills. By monitoring age we seek to uncover these and other assumptions in the way we work in Devon in Sight We intend to set up a database to review and adjust annually for age. To help us confirm your age please state your date of birth. |
| **What is your Date of Birth?**  |  10th May  |[ ]  Prefer not to say |
| Religion |
| Whether or not you have a religion and what you do or don’t believe in is likely to make difference to you and how you perceive the world. These perceptions are carried across into our volunteering. It is said by some that what you do or don’t believe is a private matter that should have no effect on your job. It is indeed a private matter but it would be disingenuous to say that it had no effect on your volunteering. For example, Devon in Sight running training events or promotion panels during periods of religious fasting for some colleagues may well place them at a disadvantage in these instances. Devon in Sight is committed to ensuring fairness and equal access to all volunteers whatever their faith or beliefs.Below is a list of religions that are the most commonly found in Britain. They are listed in alphabetical order and not intended to signify rank in terms of importance, furthermore we acknowledge that the list is not exhaustive and if your religion is not specifically listed then we ask you not to take offence as none was intended. |
|[ ]  Buddhist |[ ]  Hindu  |[ ]  Muslim  |
|[ ]  Christian |[ ]  Jewish  |[ ]  Sikh  |
|[ ]  No religion |[ ]  Any other religion or Belief (please state below) |
|[ ]  Prefer not to say |  |
| Advertising |
| How did you find out about Volunteering? Please list which publication or internet site or other source: |
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| Declaration |
| The Data Protection Declaration in the Volunteering application form applies to this monitoring form as well as the volunteering application form. |

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