

The Armed Forces Covenant: the view from Whitehall



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The Armed Forces Covenant – *What?*



**An Enduring Covenant Between
the People of the United Kingdom
Her Majesty's Government
and
All those who serve or who have served in the
Armed Forces of the Crown
And their Families**

Armed Forces Covenant – *Why?*



*Those who serve in the Armed Forces, whether Regular or Reserve, those who have served in the past, and their families should face **no disadvantage compared to other citizens** in the provision of public and commercial services.*

*Special consideration is appropriate in some cases, especially for those who have **given the most** such as the injured or bereaved.*

Covenant
across
Government

Covenant
in the
Community

Covenant
in
Business

The
Covenant
Fund

Armed Forces Covenant – *When?*



- **2011 Armed Forces Act**

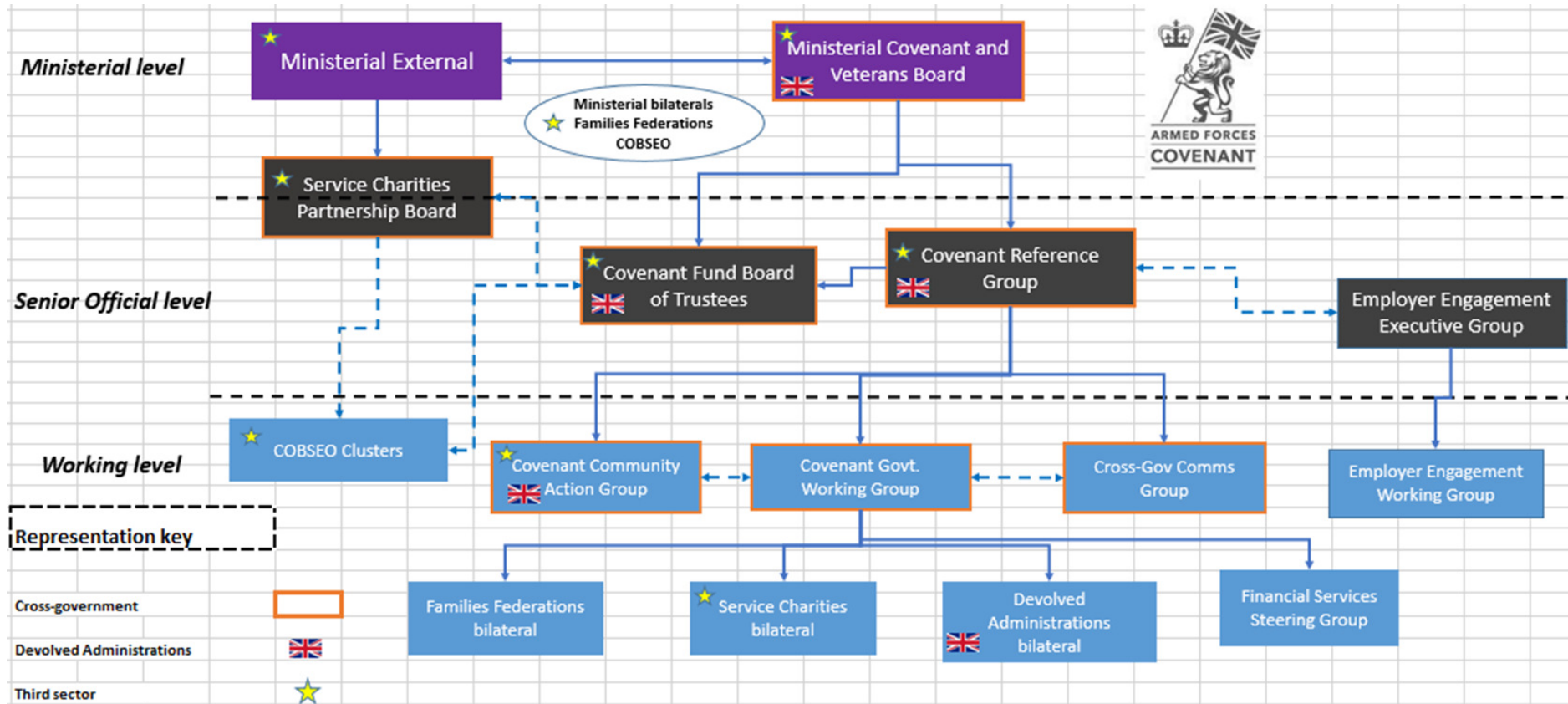


- **Defining the Core areas of the Covenant**

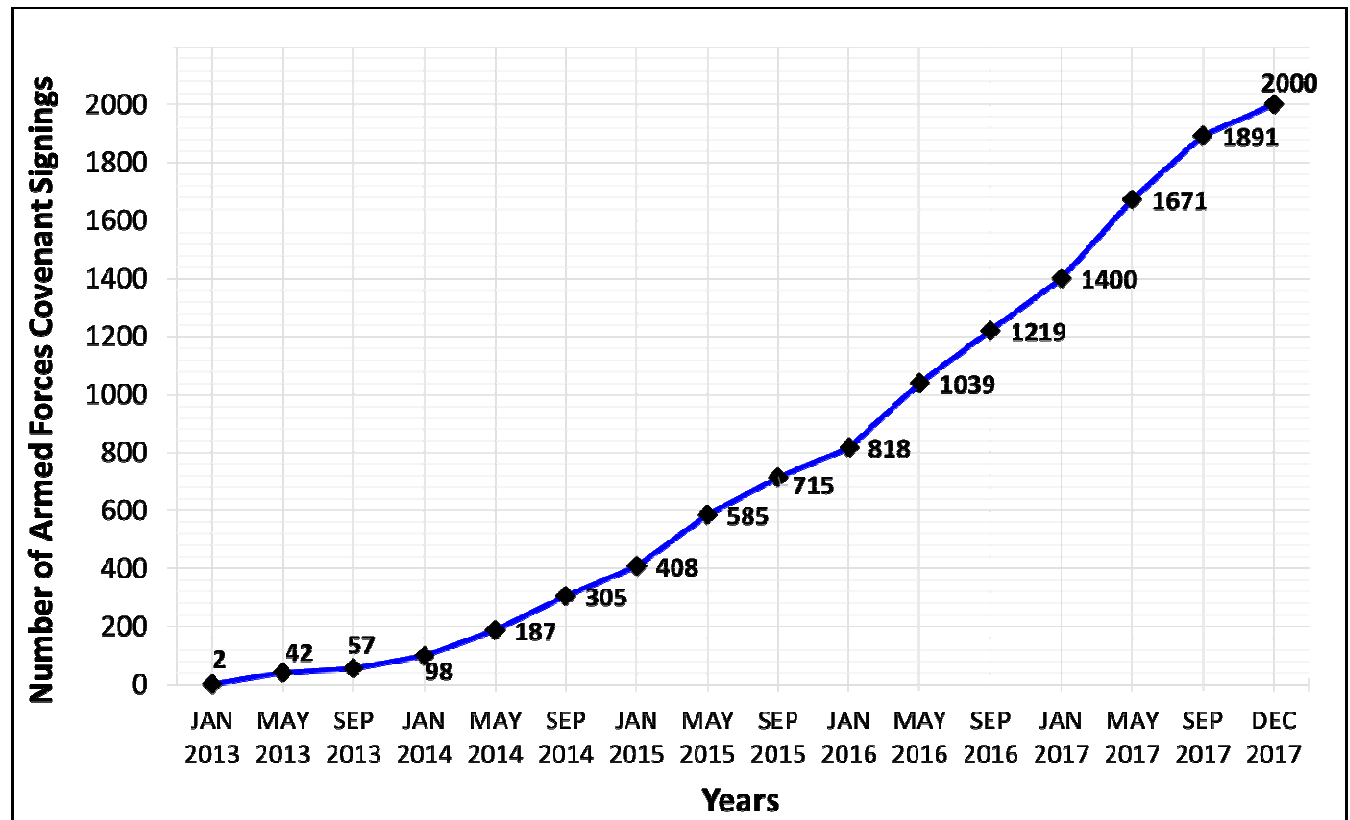
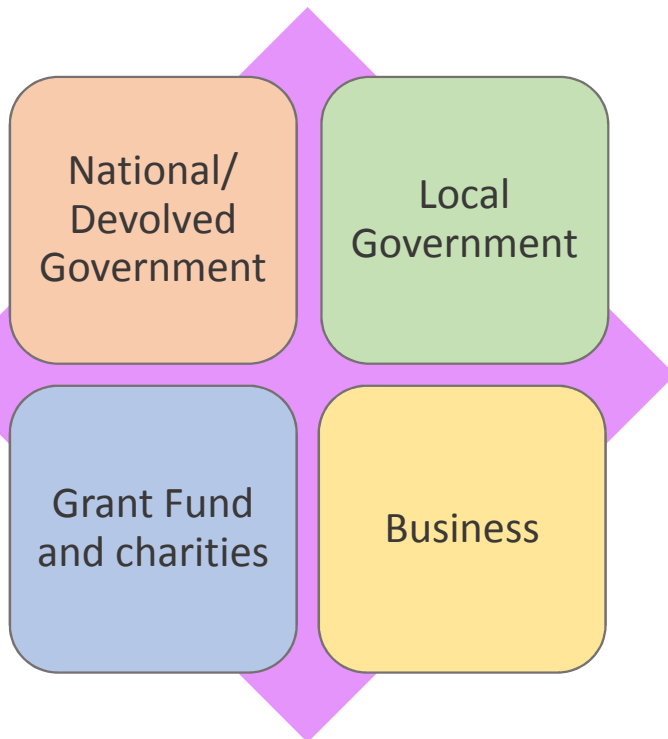
- **Accountability**



Armed Forces Covenant – Governance



Key to Success: Partnering



Armed Forces Covenant – Headlines



Measuring Success



- **2017 – *Communicating More and Working together Better***
- **2018 – Consistency of Outcomes
NOT processes**
- **Making a tangible difference**
- **Standardisation**



The Covenant in 2018 Challenges and Priorities



The Covenant Fund



The Covenant Fund – launched 2015

£10M each year

It has 4 broad funding themes now and in the future:

- **Removing barriers to family life;**
- **Extra support after service for those that need help;**
- **Measures to integrate military and civilian communities and allow the armed forces community to participate as citizens;**
- **Non-core healthcare services for Veterans.**



The Covenant Fund

- so far



- **Support for Veterans in the Criminal Justice system**
- **The Veterans' Gateway**
- **Families in Stress**
- **Improving Local Government Delivery of the Covenant**
- **Map of Need**
- **Outcomes Framework**



The Covenant Fund 2018/19



- **Local Grants for Community Integration and Delivery of Local Services (and digital development) **Open for applications****
- **The Armistice and Armed Forces Communities – remembering and supporting their contribution **Open for applications****
- **New Ways to tackle Serious Stress in Veterans, Carers and Families **Open for consultation****
- **See more about these and more at <http://www.covenantfund.org.uk/>**

Find Out More



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