DUNBARTONSHIRE AND ARGYLL & BUTE VALUATION JOINT BOARD

Valuation Joint Board – 14th June 2013

Subject: Public Sector Equality Duty

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 To update members of the Joint Board on the ongoing requirements of the Equality Act 2010 on the Valuation Joint Board and the Assessor.
- 1.2 To seek Joint Board approval of the new Public Sector Equality Duty.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) (Scotland) Regulations 2012 requires those listed in the Regulations, unless otherwise exempted, to comply with the following duties:
 - to report progress on mainstreaming the Equality Duty.
 - to publish equality outcomes and report progress.
 - to Equality Impact Assess Policies and Practices.
 - to gather and to use employee information.
 - to consider award criteria in relation to public procurement.
 - to publish required information in a manner which is accessible.

3.0 Consultation

After extensive consultation with EHRC and following consideration of the requirements by the Scottish Assessors Association, a report has been drafted and is attached for Board members' consideration.

4.0 Recommendations

It is recommended that the Board approves the attached Public Sector Equality Duty report

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