## **Armed Forces Covenant Report**



"Over 10,000 armed forces veterans live in Telford and Wrekin and it is our priority to ensure that they have all of the support and information that they need.

We are proud that over 76 organisations in the borough have now signed up to The Armed Forces Covenant; recognising the value that veterans contribute to our businesses.

At the start of this year we launched our Veteran Calm Cafes which provide a space for veterans living locally to speak to like-minded individuals and also get access to any wellbeing support they need from partners at Telford Mind. These sessions have been hugely popular with us already sourcing a larger venue due to high attendance. We now want to build on this success even further by extending the cafes until December 2024 and running the sessions in locations across the borough."

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Councillor Paul Watling (Labour) Cabinet Member for Safer and Stronger Communities