

Appendix I

The Commission identified four principles to frame their report these were:

- A sense of shared futures
- Emphasis on a new model of rights and responsibilities
- Emphasis on mutual respect and civility
- Visible social justice - Transparency and fairness to be prioritised, along with trust in institutions that arbitrate between groups

The Government welcomed this work, developing it further with a vision of an integrated and cohesive community which is based on three foundations:

- People from different backgrounds having similar life opportunities
- People knowing their rights and responsibilities
- People trusting one another and trusting local institutions to act fairly

The response also identified three key ways of living together:

- A shared future vision and sense of belonging
- A focus on what new and existing communities have in common, alongside a recognition of the value of diversity
- Strong and positive relationships between people from different backgrounds