

### FLINTSHIRE LOCAL VOLUNTARY COUNCIL

# FLVC MEMBERSHIP POLICY

#### Statement

FLVC is the umbrella and support body for voluntary and community groups (the third sector) in Flintshire. As the local umbrella body, it provides a range of support services and works to ensure that the 'third sector' is properly represented and can contribute to local planning and service development. FLVC is committed to building a wide membership base to reflect the diversity of the sector and to ensuring that it is accountable to its members.

#### **Rules and Bye-laws**

Under *Article 61* the Board of Trustees can make rules and bye-laws which govern all aspects of membership, including: admission; rights and privileges; conditions and terms; fees/payments; refusal, withdrawal or suspension of membership.

#### **Categories of Membership**

The Board of Trustees have designated the following categories of membership:

#### Full

Available to voluntary/community organisations/groups operating in Flintshire who support the work of FLVC.

#### Associate

Individual - Available to individuals who support the work of FLVC

Organisational - Available to organisations who cannot be full members, eg business and statutory organisations, but who support FLVC.

#### Conditions of Membership (See Article 2)

#### All Members

- Must support the aims and values of FLVC as stated in its Memorandum and Articles of Association and supporting policies and procedures.
- Complete a membership application form.
- Pay the appropriate annual membership fee.
- Have their membership application approved by the FLVC Board

#### Full Members

• Third Sector organisations applying for full membership must provide a copy of their current governing document (constitution/rules).

#### **Benefits to Members**

*FLVC* will provide the following benefits to members

- In addition to a copy of our Newsletter "Voluntary Voice" members receive member emailings with information and updates on events, issues and funding opportunities
- Reduced rates for printing and photocopying and other FLVC services
- Reduction on room bookings at Corlan
- Advanced notice of donations of equipment and furniture
- Eligibility to apply for FLVC administered grant funds

- Access to specific support services, including payroll, help with and preparation and independent examination of annual accounts, for which there will normally be a charge.
- Eligibility for Flintshire Community Card

#### **Rights of Members**

Full Members

- To nominate candidates for election to the Board and to vote at general meetings.
- To receive notification of general meetings including the annual general meeting.
- To place a resolution before a general meeting.

Associate Members

- To receive notification of general meetings including the annual general meeting.
- To attend such meetings but not to vote.

#### Membership Fee

The Board will set and review the rate of membership fee from time to time. The rates for the membership year April 2015 – March 2016 are as follows:

Full members £15 per year

Associate members (i) Individual £7.50 per year (ii) Organisation £25 per year

#### Membership Year

Membership year will run from 1 April to the following 31 March. Good notice will be given to members to renew their membership

#### Membership Certificate

When the application form has been duly completed and returned with the appropriate membership fee, the application will be considered by the FLVC Board and, if approved, the member will be entered into our membership database and issued with a signed membership certificate, valid for one year. If the governing document changes, organisations are requested to provide FLVC with updated information.

If you need any further information please contact FLVC on 01352 744000 E-mail: info@flvc.org.uk



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Please read "applying for membership" sheet attached before completing this application

#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/ UPDATE OF DATABASE FORM

I/We wish to apply for membership of Flintshire Local Voluntary Council (FLVC) for the year 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 or I/We wish to update the information that FLVC holds on our organisation.

*Name of Organisation:					
*Contact Person 1:					
Position:					
*Address:					
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Fax*:		Email'	۰ <u>.</u>		
*Contact Person 2:					
Position:					
*Address:					
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Website Address*					
Address where meetings	s held:				
Type of Organization, (D)					
Type of Organisation: (Pl	,	-	Voluntary/Communit	-	Business
Other (Please specify)					
Aims of Organisation (No	) more than 80 w	ords:			

#### Main Activities/Services (please circle up to three)

After School Club	Befriending	Campaigning	Choir
Community Transport	Counselling	Design & Manufacturing of Aids for Disabled	Education/Awareness Raising
Fundraising	Information & Advice	Mediation	Other (please specify
Recycling	Representation	Self-help	Services
Sport/Leisure			

# Under which Category should we enter you on our database: (please circle up to three):

Advice & Advocacy	Animal Welfare	Arts, Culture & Heritage	Benevolent Organisation
Children & Families	Community	Community Justice	Disability
Education & Training	Emergency Rescue	Employment	Ethnic Minorities
Gender	Grant Making Trust	Health & Social Care	Housing
Information & Advice	Intermediaries	International Emergency Relief	Older People
Other (please specify)	Religion	Sexuality	Social Enterprise
Sport & Recreation	Support Services	Volunteering	Youth
Registered Charity Numb	oer	Company Number	
Catchment Area: (Wales	wide North Wales Flints	hire or Town/Community C	ouncil area)
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<b>Data Protection Act 1998</b> . This information will be held by FLVC on computer and those details with an asterisk published on the Internet when appropriate. The information will be used internally by FLVC in the administration of its membership, in the answering of queries and be made available to those agencies working in partnership with FLVC, where appropriate.
Please leave blank unless you wish your details to be withheld:

I/we do not agree to the above information being made available to third parties

I/we do not agree to the above information being made available in a printed directory □

I/we do not agree to the above information being made available on the World Wide Web  $\Box$ 

# If new member please include a copy of your Constitution/Rules. We cannot accept your application without this.

If existing member please insert membership number; .....

I/we support the aims of FLVC and agree to inform FLVC of any changes to the information already provided.

Signed:.....Date:....

Please forward this application/database update together with cheque, if relevant, made payable to:

Flintshire Local Voluntary Council, Corlan, Unit 3, Mold Business Park, Wrexham Road, Mold CH7 1XP Tel: 01352 744000