Membership Application

 London Voluntary Service Council

**What is LVSC?**

LVSC brings together London's voluntary and community sector organisations to learn and share best practice and to create a co-ordinated voice to influence policy makers on issues affecting Londoners. LVSC aims

* To be a central resource for knowledge and policy for the London voluntary and community sector;
* To act as a collaborative leader for London's voluntary and community sector;
* To enable the voluntary and community sector to best deliver for Londoners.

We provide briefings, information, topical e-bulletins and learning opportunities for those working in the sector.

**Why join LVSC?**

As a Supporter or Associate you can:

* sign up to receive the LVSC monthly e-bulletin;
* take part in our networks;
* contribute towards our policy forums, helping to influence national and regional government;
* get 10% discount on our HR Staff Handbook;
* get 10% discount on our management and personal development training courses delivered in partnership with Happy Ltd;
* use the LVSC logo on your website.

**Who can become a member?**

Supporter membership

VCS/VCSE organisations, and other

not-for-profit organisations that work in at least one London borough or are based in London.

Associate membership

Individual, Consultant, Local Authority, Statutory Body, Public Body, Private Business, Private Organisation/Company.

What rights and responsibilities do members have?

LVSC is a company limited by guarantee and becoming a member of LVSC is similar to becoming a shareholder:

* Every member is invited to attend the Annual General Meeting.
* Supporter members can vote at the AGM –in person or by proxy - and can nominate and be nominated to the Board of Trustees.
* There are six places for Supporter members on the Board, ensuring that you can have a say in the running of LVSC.

We expect all our members to support the principles and aims of LVSC and have a commitment to equal opportunities.







London Voluntary Service Council

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Email: info@lvsc.org.uk

Company no: 1395546; Charity no 276886

## Membership fees

The membership fee depends on the category:

**Supporter member: FREE**

CVSs, voluntary and community organisations and other not-for-profit organisations that work in at least one London borough or are based in London

**Associate member:**

Individual/Consultant - £50

Local Authority, Statutory Body, Public Body, Private Business/Organisations/Company - £200

The membership year runs from 1 April to 31 March.

If you join during the year, your first year’s fee will be charged according to the number of months remaining until 31 March.

## How do I become a member?

Complete the attached form and return it to LVSC. If you/your organisation is **NOT** registered as a company or charity, please include:

* A copy of your constitution, trust deed or Memorandum and Articles of Association

**AND**

* Your latest annual accounts and report

Who do I contact if I have a question about membership?

Contact: Company Secretary

Telephone: 020 7832 5830

Email: info@lvsc.org.uk

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**Yes, I/we want to apply for LVSC**

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**LVSC’s vision is of a vibrant and sustainable city where the lives of Londoners are enhanced through voluntary and community action.**

**London’s voluntary and community sector is at the heart of our work. To achieve our vision, on behalf of the London voluntary and community sector, we will:**

**1 Be a central resource for knowledge and policy for the London voluntary and community sector**

**We want to:**

**– Be a central repository and directory for knowledge on the sector**

**– Be an influential centre of policy analysis and response**

**– Demonstrate the impact of the sector on the lives of Londoners**

**2 Act as a collaborative leader for London’s voluntary and community sector**

**We aspire to:**

**– Enable and deliver a strong strategic and independent voice for the sector**

**– Promote and champion the sector**

**– Act as a bridge between the voluntary and community sector and other partners**

**3 Enable the voluntary and community**

**sector to best deliver for Londoners**

**We want to:**

**– Equip people and organisations in the sector to serve their communities**

**– Enable people and organisations in the sector to collaborate effectively**

**– Share best practice across the sector**

**Poverty, equality, health and climate change will be cross-cutting themes throughout all of our work.**

*The information you provide on this form will be used to process your application and inform you about whether your application has been accepted. If it is, the information will be stored on the LVSC database and used to keep you informed about LVSC news, events, services and maybe for statistical purposes. If your application is not accepted the form will be destroyed. The information will not be passed on to third parties.*

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| **Name of business/company/consultant/organisation:** |

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| **Address:** |

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| **Telephone Number:** |

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| **Email:**  |

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| **Website:**  |

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| **Name and position of official representative to LVSC:**(this person will receive **all** membership mailings, invitations and invoices) **Name:****Position:****E-mail:** |

**What type of membership are you applying for?** [ ]  Supporter (Free) [ ]  Associate (£50/£200)

**What is the aim of your organisation?**

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**Is your organisation:** [ ]  registered as a charity [Number ………………………….………………………….]

 [ ]  not registered as a charity [ ]  applying at the moment

**Is your organisation:** [ ]  registered as a company [Number ………………………….……………………….]

 [ ]  not registered as a company [ ]  applying at the moment

**What is the size of your organisation (number of paid staff)?**

**Would you describe your organisation’s leadership and staff as mostly?**

[ ]  Asian [ ]  Black [ ]  Disabled [ ]  Refugee [ ]  White

[ ]  Women [ ]  Other (please specify):

**Does your organisation have an equal opportunities policy?** [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

**If not, do you have plans to adopt a policy within the next year?** [ ]  Yes [ ]  No [ ] N/A

**Would you like assistance with drawing up a policy?** [ ]  Yes [ ]  No [ ]  N/A

Which London borough(s) or region are you/your organisation head office located? Please **X**.

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| All London Boroughs |  | Hounslow |  |
| Barking and Dagenham |  | Islington |  |
| Barnet |  | Kensington and Chelsea |  |
| Bexley |  | Kingston upon Thames |  |
| Brent |  | Lambeth |  |
| Bromley |  | Lewisham |  |
| Camden |  | Merton |  |
| City of London |  | National |  |
| Croydon |  | Newham |  |
| Ealing |  | Outside London |  |
| Enfield |  | Pan London |  |
| Greenwich |  | Pan London and Oxfordshire |  |
| Hackney |  | Redbridge |  |
| Hammersmith and Fulham |  | Richmond upon Thames |  |
| Haringey |  | Southwark |  |
| Harrow |  | Sutton |  |
| Havering |  | Tower Hamlets |  |
| Hillingdon |  | Waltham Forest |  |
| Havering |  | Wandsworth |  |
| Hillingdon |  | Westminster |  |

Which London borough(s) or region do you/does your organisation serve (this is the area covered by your work, not the location of your buildings)? Please **X** all that apply.

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Which of these best describes your field of work (you may **X** more than one)?

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| Alcohol and Drug Support |  | Infrastructure |  |
| Animal Rights |  | Mediation |  |
| Arts, Culture and Media |  | Other |  |
| Community Centre |  | Parents and Families |  |
| Counselling |  | Play |  |
| Education |  | Policy and Influence |  |
| Employment, Skills and Training |  | Regeneration, Planning and Development |  |
| Environmental |  | Social Enterprise |  |
| Financial Inclusion, Debt, Poverty |  | Sports and Leisure |  |
| Health and Social Care (including Mental Health |  | Transport |  |
| Housing and Homelessness |  | Volunteering |  |
| Information, Advice, Guidance (including Legal) and Advocacy |  | Other (please specify): |  |

Does your organisation aim to serve particular communities? Please **X** the appropriate box(es).

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| All Communities [ ]  |
| BAMER CommunitiesAll [ ]  African Communities [ ]  Asian Communities [ ] Black British Communities [ ]  Caribbean Communities [ ] Chinese Communities [ ]  Eastern European Communities [ ] Gypsy Roma Traveller [ ]  Irish Communities [ ]  Latin American Communities [ ] Other Ethnic Groups [ ]  Refugee and Asylum Seekers [ ]   |
| Carers [ ]  |
| Children and Young PeopleAll [ ]  Pre School (0-4 Years) [ ]  5-13 Years [ ]  14-21 Years [ ]  |
| Disabled PeopleAll [ ]  Learning Disability [ ]  Mental Health [ ]  Physical Disability [ ] Sensory Impairment [ ]  |
| Ex-Offenders [ ]  |
| Homeless People [ ]  |
| Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered People [ ]  |
| Older People [ ]  |
| Other [ ]  |
| Parents and Families [ ]  |
| Religion or Belief Communities [ ]  |
| Tenants and Residents [ ]  |
| Victims of Crime [ ]  |
| Violence Against Women and Girls and Domestic Abuse [ ]  |
| Women [ ]  |

Is your organisation already a member of any of the networks supported by LVSC? (Please **X**)

[ ]  Community Voices for Health [ ]  London CVS Directors’ Network

[ ]  London Employment and Skills Policy Network [ ]  London Voluntary Sector Forum

[ ]  London Safer Future Communities VCSE Network [ ]  London For All

Please **X** to confirm that you wish to receive a copy of the LVSC monthly e-bulletin [ ]

Thank you for applying to become a member of LVSC. We will submit your application to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees after which you will be contacted to advise you whether or not the Board has accepted your application. Please **DO NOT SEND** any money until we have invoiced you.

**Return this form to:** **info@lvsc.org.uk**

**OR**

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