
MEMBERSHIP

What is the membership fee?

£95 per year annual payment **OR** £10 per month for 10 months by Direct Debit if paying monthly.

£25 one-off non-refundable admin fee for headshot and for uploading profile on to the web site

What happens if I want to cancel my membership at any point?

You will need to give two months written notice if you wish to cancel your membership. If you have paid annually, you can only cancel after six months.

Your profile will be removed from the LWB web site when your membership expires.

How do I become a member?

You will be invited via email to become a member once we have set up the company. You will then be sent an application pack, which includes an application form, the code of conduct - which you will be asked to sign - the constitution and the terms and conditions. Once this has been processed you will be given a unique membership card and your photo and profile will be added to the web site.

What are member benefits?

- Free attendance of monthly meetings – tea coffee and light refreshments provided
- Access to the LWB workshop program in the shape of first option on the LWB workshop program with tickets for members remaining at £5 for an hour long workshop.
- Support and promotion on social media platforms Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn
- Quarterly newsletter mailed out to the growing LWB mailing list (supporters not members) to promote member services:
- Monthly LWB newsletter (for members) featuring up and coming events and activities

CONSTITUTION AND LEGAL STRUCTURE

What will our legal structure be? And why has this structure been chosen?

LWB will be a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Association model). This basically means we are a recognized legal entity and can therefore employ people and rent/buy property if we ever want to. This model also means we can apply for charitable funding but does not carry the onerous annual reporting associated with full charitable status.

This structure requires us to have a committee who are the financial guardians of the organisation, but as we are incorporated, the trustees do not have any personal liability if the organization needs to be dissolved.

I am interested in becoming a trustee/board member but I do not know much about it.

What does it entail?

Trustees, and the chair of trustees in particular, are the ambassadors of the organization, and its financial guardians. The three main roles that need to be filled are chair, secretary and treasurer. We will also need another three or four board members. **All positions are on a voluntary basis.**

Including the AGM we will hold three meetings a year where we will discuss the financial running of the organization and its overall strategy.

Do I need to be an LWB member to be a trustee or on the board?

No. You are welcome to join the board as a non-member. The board positions will be also be available to people outside LWB.

If you are interested in becoming a board member please see the job descriptions for more information.