



*“Helping to build the capacity of minority ethnic women, working in the voluntary sector to participate effectively in the social, economic and political life of the community in which they live.”*

# **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

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## **Our History**

Lancashire Wide Network for Minority Ethnic Women was established in 1997 as a way of enabling black and minority ethnic unemployed women to help themselves to overcome barriers they faced when planning to enter employment, education, training or volunteering opportunities. Supported by Lancashire County Council, it was planned as a forum through which women from diverse cultural backgrounds could come together, share their experiences and help one another to develop skills and confidence.

The Network has been highly successful; it has helped many of its members to assert themselves very effectively and to learn important skills such as time management, writing CV's, effective interview techniques and searching for a job, as well as to decide how best to reach a sensible and sustainable work/life balance.

The Network has become a community in itself. It provides a structure through which women can meet and discuss problems, feelings and ideas in a supportive environment. Today we have over 300 members.

## **Aim**

To facilitate, encourage and support women from minority ethnic communities in Lancashire to identify, access and participate in economic and social opportunities.

## **Services**

- Training – Free or at a Subsidised Rate
- Information, Advice and Guidance
- Seminars, Conferences and Workshops
- Study Visits and Residentials
- Consultation Events
- Awareness Raising Sessions
- Information Sharing
- Bi Monthly Newsletters
- Network Meetings

## **How can we help you?**

### **Ask yourself these simple questions**

Are you working in the voluntary community sector or working as a volunteer?

Have you identified any training gaps in your current employment?

Do you have limited financial resources within your organisation which restrict you in terms of access to courses?

Are you wanting to go back to work and need help with interview skills, C.V. Writing etc

Do you have difficulties with child care arrangements?

Are the location and venues of the courses not appropriate for your needs?

**If the answer to any or all of the above is YES – then we may be able to help:**

Lancashire Wide Network for Minority Ethnic Women, are able to organise a range of courses, suitable to your needs and at venues appropriate for you, not only that, all courses are either FREE or at subsidised rates. Courses can be arranged around School Times where possible.

All courses are arranged on a needs-led basis, if a course is not available, please leave your details with an officer, who will be able to contact you, when the course becomes available at a later date, or they may be able to signpost you to another organisation.



**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM – Please complete and return to:**

For Office Use Only:  
Member No:

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**Name**

**Position**

**Organisation**

**Email**

**Contact Address**

**Contact No Work**

**Mobile No**

**Membership – SUBSCRIPTION RATES** (Please tick as appropriate):  
Membership is open to individual women, women’s organisations and organisations working on women’s issues.

**Individual (aged over 18) £ 5.00 per annum**

**Junior (16, 17) £ 1.00 per annum**

**Organisation Members £15.00 per annum**

(If unemployed or in receipt of incapacity benefits – you may be entitled to your membership fee being waived – please contact the office for further information)

**I enclose a membership fee of £** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please make cheques payable to: LWNMEW)

**I would be interested in receiving the following information: (please tick)**

Training Courses

Invites to Meetings/Events

Annual Report

Information via email

Other (please state below)