

**Do you want to have a say in how
your council provides services?**



...here is how you can

Leeds City Council's Equalities Assembly

Leeds City Council is committed to giving you the best possible service at all times. We want to know your views on how we provide our services and we want to work with you to improve the way we deliver them.

We know how important it is to involve all our diverse communities.

Community groups and Leeds City Council have come together to set up a new forum called the Equalities Assembly. The Equalities Assembly will make it easier for Leeds' diverse communities to engage with and influence the decisions the council makes.

What is the Equalities Assembly?

The Equalities Assembly is a forum, made up of Equality Hubs, which helps ensure Leeds City Council is engaging with and involving the full range of citizens that live in Leeds in the decisions that it makes. Co-ordinated by the council's Equality Team it provides a way for the council to understand local people's views, helping to improve the services and employment opportunities it offers.

The Equalities Assembly offers all equality groups the opportunity to meet and work together to let the council know the issues that affect them. Your voices and concerns will be heard by the council's decision makers to make sure council services and employment opportunities meet your needs and are as accessible as possible.

If you would like to find out more information about the Equalities Assembly please contact Leeds City Council's Equality Team on tel: **0113 247 4190**, text: **07891 270 162** or email: equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk

Equality Hubs

Age Hub

to represent younger and older people's views

Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) Hub

to represent people from Black and Minority Ethnic communities

Carers Hub

to represent people who provide care for someone who could not manage otherwise because of frailty, illness or disability.

Disability Hub

to represent people who have a physical, sensory or learning disability or have a mental health condition or long-term illness

Gender Hub

to represent men, women and people who identify themselves as transsexual / transgender

Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual (LGB) Hub

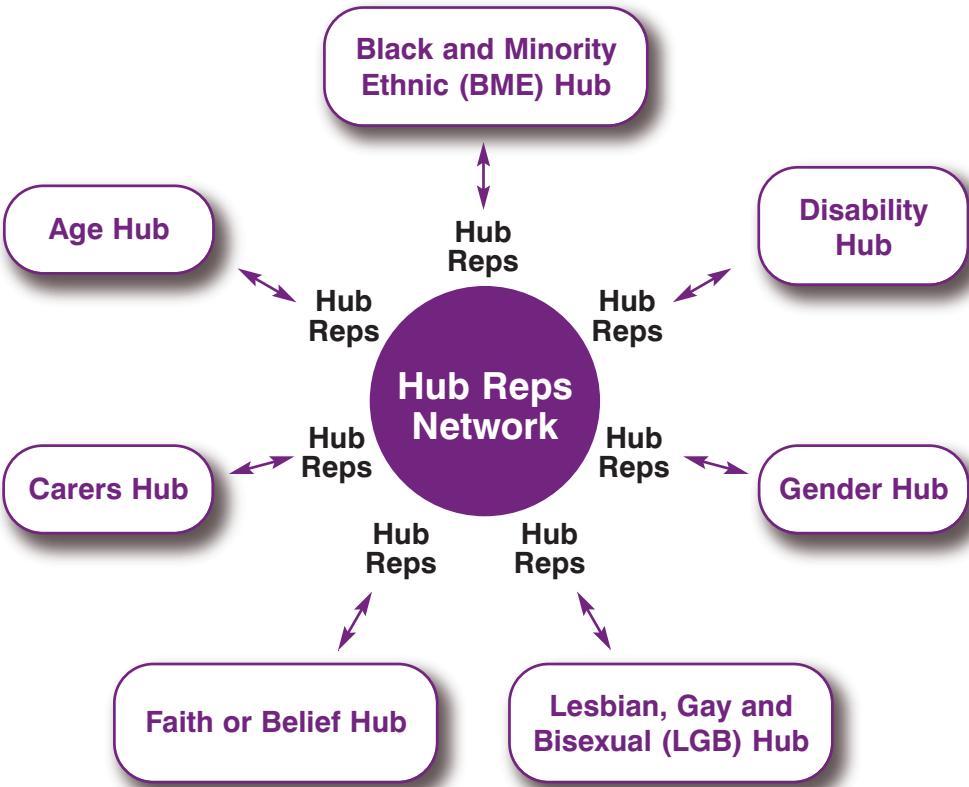
to represent the lesbian, gay and bisexual community

Faith or Belief Hub

to represent members of all faith or belief communities

Each Equality Hub will have nominated representatives, and together the Hubs' members and representatives make up the Equalities Assembly. The Equalities Assembly has been established to fully involve and represent the views of the diverse communities of Leeds.

Equalities Assembly



Membership Form



Name:

Organisation (if representing one):

Address:

Contact Tel Number:

Email Address:

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Please tick below which Equality Hub(s) you wish to join:

Age

Faith or Belief

BME

Gender

Carers

LGB

Disability

The information you provide will be kept confidential.

Once you have completed the above form, tear off this page, fold in half along the dotted line, seal with the gummed strip and post free of charge.

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Who can join the Equalities Assembly?

Those registering an interest in the Equalities Assembly will join an Equality Hub or Hubs of their choice and may become a Hub Representative. **Members of the Equality Hubs must have the ability to represent the views of, or identify with, that community.**

As a member of the Equalities Assembly you will...

- attend regular meetings and receive information about a range of Leeds City Council services and future plans
- be on a mailing list to receive information

As a Hub Representative you will...

- attend a quarterly Representative Network Meeting to discuss issues and share good practice
- represent the views of Hub Members
- have the opportunity to meet with Senior Managers to raise issues that are important to your Hub Members
- provide regular feedback to your Hub after meeting with Senior Managers

The roles and responsibilities will be developed further as the Hubs progress

If you would like to become a member of the Equalities Assembly, please complete the attached booking form and send it to us using the freepost address printed on the back.

Once the Equality Team has received your form we will send you general information as appropriate and will keep you informed about forthcoming meetings and events which you will be invited to attend.

This publication can also be made available in large print, Braille, on audio tape and on computer disk.

If you need this information in another language, please phone 0113 247 4190.

If you need to speak to us in a language other than English, please state the language and we will put you on hold while we contact an interpreter.

(Bengali)

আপনি যদি ইংরেজীতে কথা না বলেন এবং এই দলিলাটি বুঝতে সাহায্যের দরকার হয় তাহলে দয়া করে 0113 247 4190 এই নম্বরে ফোন করুন এবং আপনি যে ভাষায় কথা বলেন সেই ভাষার নাম বলুন। তারপর আমরা আপনাকে ফোন ধরে রাখতে বলে একজন ইন্টারপ্রিটারের (দোভাষী) সঙ্গে যোগাযোগ করব। আমরা যে কোন ভাষায় সাহায্য করতে পারি, ইন্টারপ্রিটেশনের (ভাষান্তরন) জন্য কোন মূল্য দিতে হয় না।

(Chinese / Cantonese)

如果你不懂說英語，並且在了解本文件方面需要協助的話，請致電0113 247 4190，說明你講甚麼語言。我們將便會請你等一下並且不要收線，以便我們與口譯員聯絡。無論你說哪一語言，我們也可以提供協助；口譯服務是免費的。

(Hindi)

यदि आप इंग्लिश नहीं बोलते हैं और इस दस्तावेज़ को समझने में आपको मदद की ज़रूरत है, तो कृपया 0113 247 4190 पर फ़ोन करें और अपनी भाषा का नाम बताएँ। उसके बाद जब तक हम किसी इंटरप्रिटर (दुभाषिए) से संपर्क करेंगे आपको होल्ड पर रखा जाएगा। हम किसी भी भाषा में सहायता कर सकते हैं और दुभाषिया सेवा के लिए कोई मूल्य नहीं लिया जाता है।

(Punjabi)

ਜੇ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਅੰਗਰੇਜ਼ੀ ਨਹੀਂ ਬੋਲਦੇ ਅਤੇ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਇਹ ਲੇਖ-ਪੱਤਰ ਸਮਝਣ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਦੀ ਲੋੜ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ, ਕ੍ਰਿਪਾ ਕਰ ਕੇ ਨੰਬਰ 0113 247 4190 'ਤੇ ਟੈਲੀਫੋਨ ਕਰੋ ਅਤੇ ਅਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਦਾ ਨਾਮ ਦੱਸੋ। ਅਸੀਂ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਟੈਲੀਫੋਨ 'ਤੇ ਹੀ ਰਹਿਣ ਲਈ ਕਹਾਂ ਗੇ ਤਦ ਤਕ ਅਸੀਂ ਦੁ-ਭਾਸ਼ੀਏ ਨਾਲ ਸੰਪਰਕ ਕਰਾਂ ਗੇ। ਅਸੀਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਭੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਅਨੁਵਾਦ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਕੋਈ ਚਾਰਜ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ।

(Urdu)

اگر آپ انگلش نہیں بول سکتے اور اس کتابچے کو سمجھنے میں مدد درکار ہے تو براہ مہربانی فون نمبر 0113 247 4190 پر فون کر کے اپنا نام اور آپ جو زبان بولتے ہیں بتلائیں۔ ہم آپ کو بولڈ (انتظار) کروا کر کسی ترجمان سے رابطہ قائم کریں گے۔ ہم برزبان کا بندوبست کرسکتے ہیں اور اسکے لئے آپ سے کوئی فیس بھی نہیں لی جائے گی۔