



## Making a Difference Together Community Leaders Programme

We have twelve free places on a seven month training programme designed to develop people as Community Leaders. Community Leaders take a share of responsibility in supporting their communities to thrive. Being a Community Leader involves collaborating with people from all walks of life. It's about listening, bringing people together, being empathic and solving problems creatively. It's fun and at times challenging. Above all, being a Community Leader is about making a difference.

The Making a Difference Together Community Leaders Programme will run from April 2018 for seven months. If you join us you will meet twice a month as part of a group to create new relationships and develop an array of skills to foster and lead change in your community. You will receive 1:1 coaching sessions to build your confidence and existing skills.

Applicants must be over 18 years old and live in either:

The City Centre	Longsight
Hulme	Levenshulme
Ardwick	Moss Side
Gorton	Rusholme

As part of the programme, you will be trained to develop your skills in:

- Team work
- Group development
- Leadership
- Bringing people together to talk
- Handling challenging personalities
- Creative problem solving
- Self awareness
- Methods to build collaboration and change
- Communication



At the end of the programme you will be more confident to do things in your community such as:

- Developing new projects
- Supporting others to develop their skills
- Getting involved in existing decision making groups such as School Governors and Housing Association Boards
- Participating alongside the Council and other organisations in making long terms plans and strategies for your area
- Leading bids to fund projects

If you are interested, there's an application form we can send to you. On this form you can write or draw about how the seven key themes below are part of your life. We can also provide the form in other formats, for example audio versions which you can then respond to using an audio file. You could also send us a video file, if you like.

The seven key themes are:

- **Relationships:** your desire to work with different groups and individuals to enable and build diverse relationships
- **Vision:** your creativity and imagination for the future of your community
- **Reach:** how you reach out and engage with people from all walks of life
- **Experience:** how you engage and get involved, or would like to
- **Roots:** your commitment to your neighbourhood and community
- **Openness to learn:** your keenness and willingness to develop your mindset, knowledge and expertise
- **Desire to Collaborate:** your openness to working with others

The deadline for applications is Monday 9 April at 09:00. To find out more, or to receive an application form for yourself or on behalf of someone else, contact either:

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