



### **MEMBERSHIP (LSDBP) - GENERAL OVERVIEW**

The Leeds Society for Deaf and Blind People (LSDBP), which is a Registered Charity (227169) and a Company Limited by Guarantee (146281).

As a Company Limited by Guarantee and a Registered Charity, the Society operates within a Memorandum and Articles of Association. This helps to protect both its Members and the Charity during its day to day operations in pursuit of its charitable Objectives.

The Leeds Society for Deaf and Blind People encourages individuals to become Members in order that people can more closely identify with our Mission, Vision and Values. Membership encourages people to take a closer, positive interest in our activities and become involved where they have appropriate skills, expertise and resources for the benefit of people with a significant sight or hearing loss. Members must positively support the Trustee's, management team and staff of the organization as well as its beneficiaries in pursuit of achieving the charitable Objects of the Society to help ALL people with a sensory impairment. Members will pay an annual subscription fee, historically set at "One Guinea" (£1.05), which shall be considered due on the first day of July each year. Please contact us if you require this information in Braille, Large Print, BSL or Audio Tape/CD format.

To become a Member of LSDBP please complete a membership application form and return it to us with your subscription fee of £1.05 (one pound and five pence). This fee is payable in cash or by cheque (made payable to LSDBP).

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM (LSDBP) (MEMBERSHIP YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2020)\***

Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms ..... First Name ..... Surname .....

Address .....

..... Postcode .....

Email address ..... @ .....

Telephone .....

Mobile .....

In applying for and being granted membership, I commit to the positive support of the Trustee's, management team and staff of the organization as well as its beneficiaries in pursuit of achieving the charitable Objects of the Society to help ALL people with a sensory impairment. Signature .....

Please note that, in order to minimize administrative costs, The Society has a policy of ensuring that as much communication as possible is dealt by email and/or via its website. You can assist with this process by ensuring that you include an email address in your application. All personal information given to us as a result of this membership application is confidential and will only be used in relation to membership/governance matters.

All forms along with membership fee of £1.05 should be returned to:

Alison Miller (Finance & HR Manager)  
The Centre, St Mary's Street, Leeds LS9 7DP

Office Use Only: Ref Number .....  
Date received/actioned .....

Email: [Alison.miller@leedssocietyfordeafandblind.org.uk](mailto:Alison.miller@leedssocietyfordeafandblind.org.uk) Telephone: 0113 243 8328 or mobile/SMS: 07775 444 032

**TRUSTEES/DIRECTORS (LSDBP)**

Only paid-up Members can become Trustee's/Director's of the Society. They are elected, each year, at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). If you wish to be considered for election (or nominate another Member (with their prior permission)), at the next AGM (usually the month of November), please complete a Trustee Application Form and send to Alison Miller (contact details above) no later than the 9<sup>th</sup> November each year respectively.

\* The Board of Trustee's reserves the right to decline any application for membership where it is felt that such membership would be detrimental to the good name and operation of the charity and/or: the motives of the individual applying are considered to be at odds with the operation and ethos of the organization as well as the pursuit of its charitable Objects.