10 benefits of West Lancs CVS membership

01 Regular information bulletins
02 Support from CVS Funding Team
03 Start up & governance guidance from CVS team
04 Access to apply to local funding pots
05 Help & support in finding volunteers
06 Membership of local Third Sector network
07 Inclusion in West Lancs Buzz Directory
08 Access to CVS training courses
09 Priority booking for CVS events
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FREE access to:

01 **Regular information bulletins**, including:
- monthly CVS members only newsletter
- twice monthly Funding Bulletin
- monthly Volunteering Bulletin

02 Support from **CVS Funding Advice** team including:
- undertaking bespoke grant searches for your group
- advice and guidance on bidding for funding
- checking funding bids before submission

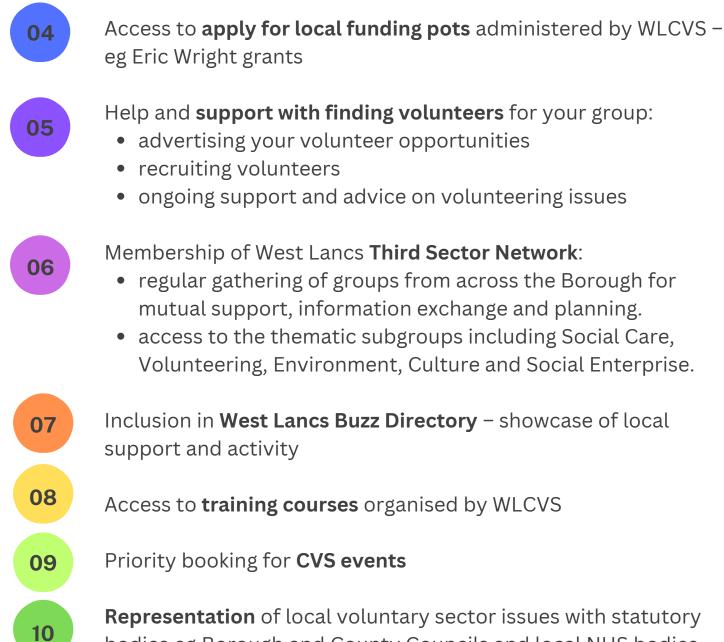**03** Advice and guidance from CVS team on **governance and publicity**
- choosing the best formal structure for your group
- support with developing policies such as safeguarding
- advice on other issues relating to running a voluntary organisation, community group or charity
- support with promoting your project or group

04 Access to **apply for local funding pots** administered by WLCVS – eg Eric Wright grants

05 Help and **support with finding volunteers** for your group:
- advertising your volunteer opportunities
- recruiting volunteers
- ongoing support and advice on volunteering issues

06 Membership of West Lancs **Third Sector Network**:
- regular gathering of groups from across the Borough for mutual support, information exchange and planning.
- access to the thematic subgroups including Social Care, Volunteering, Environment, Culture and Social Enterprise.

07 Inclusion in **West Lancs Buzz Directory** – showcase of local support and activity

08 Access to **training courses** organised by WLCVS

09 Priority booking for **CVS events**

10 **Representation** of local voluntary sector issues with statutory bodies eg Borough and County Councils and local NHS bodies