

Asylum Link Merseyside is a charitable organisation helping asylum seekers and refugees in Merseyside. Most services are accessed on a drop in basis and the centre is open from Monday to Friday, providing tea, coffee and a place to meet.

Immigration Advice & General Casework

We provide Asylum advice at OISC level 1 as well as referral to solicitors. We also have a general casework service for housing problems, missed NASS payments, accessing GPs etc

Furniture and Clothing. We provide free second-hand clothing, furniture and other essential household goods.

English Classes. We provide ESOL through our volunteers classes 5 days a week

Destitution support. We have a limited budget for meeting the emergency needs of asylum seekers and refugees.

Befriending/Volunteering. There are many opportunities to volunteer at the centre and befriending is at the heart of all Asylum Link's Services.

Social Support. There are a series of Well Being programmes which include Healthy Eating and Cooking, Allotments and Gardening, Oral Hygiene sessions and Bike repair and Cycle club. We also hold social events for occasions such as Refugee Week, Eid, Christmas and Newroz. We have Table Tennis, Bar Football and Caroom equipment.

All our services are free and confidential. We aim to create a friendly environment for asylum seekers and refugees of all faiths and cultures.

So why don't you come and visit us!

Our History

Kensington Welcome, an informal organisation of be-frienders based in Kensington, was set up some years ago to offer friendship, practical support and, where possible, advice. As demand grew it became clear that a more professional service was required. In response, Asylum Link Merseyside was formed in March 2001 and was based in St Anne's, the disused priory building next to St Anne's Church in Overbury Street.

ALM continues to grow rapidly and are constantly expanding and adapting to meet current demands.

Our Vision is to challenge discrimination and injustice in the treatment of asylum seekers and refugees through befriending, advocacy, direct assistance and education.

Our Aim is to enable asylum seekers and refugees of all faiths and cultures to live in dignity, participating fully in the life of their local communities and contributing to their diversity and enrichment.

Staff and Trustees

ALM is a voluntary organisation run by 7 paid staff, mostly full time, and over 120 volunteers. The Charity is overseen by a board of Trustees with legal and financial responsibility for the organisation. The chair of the trustees is Bill Chambers. ALM has 3 Patrons. Baroness Caroline Cox; Lord David Alton; Louise Ellman M. P.



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Welcome, Support and Friendship for Asylum Seekers and Refugees

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Open Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm

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Company No. 4468629



Membership

As a member, your support will enable Asylum Link Merseyside to continue providing welcome, help and support to asylum seekers and refugees, and campaigning for their rights. The current subscription is £20 a year (£5 unwaged or low waged) This entitles you to vote on ALM business.

I would like to become a **Member** of ALM

I enclose a cheque/standing order for

£..... payable to Asylum Link Merseyside **(it is very helpful if you can pay by standing order)**

Title

Family name

Other names.....

Address

Postcode

Email

Signature

Date

If you wish us to claim Gift Aid on your membership fee, please complete the gift aid declaration on the next panel. Thank you.

Please return all forms to:

**The Finance and Admin Manager,
Asylum Link Merseyside, St Anne's Centre,
7 Overbury Street, Liverpool, L7 3HJ**

Gift Aid Declaration

Title

Family Name

Other Names

Address

Post Code

Email

I want **Asylum Link Merseyside** to treat

*the enclosed donation of £ as a Gift Aid donation

*the donation(s) of £made on/...../..... as (a) **Gift Aid donation** (s)

*all donations that I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise as Gift Aid donations

*all donations I have made for the six years prior to this year, (but no earlier than 6/4/2000) **and** all donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise, as Gift Aid donations. *delete as appropriate

Signature

You must pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax at least equal to the tax that the charity reclaims on your donations in the appropriate tax year (currently 28p for each £1 you give).

GDPR Statement ALM will never pass on your details to other organisations. Your personal details will be kept on file only for the purposes stated. Please notify us if at any time you wish to be 'forgotten' ie all your details to be removed from ALM records.

Standing Order

ToBank

Address

Post Code

Please pay, The Co-operative Bank, PO Box250, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT, for the credit of Asylum Link Merseyside, Sort code 08-92-99, Acc. No. 65105157

the sum of £.....(amount in figures)

.....(amount in words)

commencing on the (date) and thereafter every (frequency) until you receive further notice from me/us in writing.

Please quote the reference (to be completed by Asylum Link Merseyside) and

debit my/our

account number

sort codeaccordingly. Please cancel any previous standing order in favour of Asylum Link Merseyside.

Signature(s)

TitleName.....

Address

Date

Please Return to ALM - address on 1st panel of this leaflet