**Membership Policy of the CIO**

Membership of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) CIO is only open to people aged 16 or over who:

1. Have lived in the St Matthews Big Local area (the Area) or
2. Have actively worked in the Area
3. Or who have volunteered regularly for at least 1 year, for a minimum total of 80 hours

for at least the 12 months immediately preceding the application for membership.

The partnership board will reserve the right to consider any application that doesn’t meet these criteria. Supporting evidence may be requested.

All applications will be subject to approval by the partnership/ trustees board

Reviewed 3/2021

Next review- March 2022

Agreed by Board of Trustee on Monday 22nd March 2021

Signed by Chair. Mr Lee Nicholls \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_