

# Starting Up and Running a Self-help Group and Keeping it Going



Maximum Participants: 16

Duration: One Day

Timings: 09:30 – 16:30

**Mike Phillips Training**

Releasing potential through learning and development

## Suitable for

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All those who wish to set up (or help others who want to establish) a self-help group and consider how to do so effectively and what will be involved.

## Aim

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To distinguish between self-help groups and other group types and the benefits and challenges of establishing self-help groups. You will share strategies and practical tips for establishing and maintaining self-help groups.

## Learning Outcomes

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By the end of the course, you will be able to:

- ➔ Define self-help and how it differs from other types of groups
- ➔ Explain the importance of confidentiality and boundaries in self-help groups
- ➔ Describe the stages of group development and how to keep people involved and interested
- ➔ Identify ways of securing support from professionals
- ➔ Share tips to maintain momentum and morale
- ➔ Be aware of common challenges that can occur in self-help groups and strategies to overcome these

You will also leave the course with:

- A sense of achievement
- A toolkit of techniques and practical ideas for releasing your potential
- A Personal Action Plan to take your learning further

## Training Style

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All courses are interactive, using diverse participatory, 'brain-friendly' training methods including: exercises; games/quizzes; handouts and workbook; small/large group discussion; skills practice and trainer input.

All courses are accompanied by a **Welcome Pack** (including some essential pre-course activities to prepare for learning) and a **'Bonus Pack'** after the training with additional tools, and follow-up activities to support transfer of learning to the workplace. (\*email required)

## Other Courses to consider (Visit my website for details of these and other courses)

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- ➔ Managing Change
- ➔ Decision-Making and Problem-Solving – Tools and Techniques
- ➔ Succession Planning
- ➔ Teambuilding – Getting Everyone to Pull in the Same Direction
- ➔ Effective Networking Skills
- ➔ Facilitation Skills: An Introduction
- ➔ Influencing and Persuading Skills



*"I really enjoyed the course.  
It was very thought-provoking."*

**Course Participant**  
**Lewisham NHS Trust**

*"Trainer talks from real  
experience... tailored to the  
group's needs... well planned,  
good handouts."*

**Course Participant**  
**St. Giles Trust**



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