

AFRICAN REPARATIONS MOVEMENT (ARM)

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GOVERNANCE AND MEMBERSHIP

Building a Transparent and Democratic Organisation

Purpose

This paper outlines the proposed principles for the governance and membership of the relaunched African Reparations Movement (ARM).

Guiding Principles

ARM should operate with transparency, accountability, inclusiveness, integrity and respect for the rule of law. Governance arrangements should encourage participation while protecting the organisation's long-term mission.

Membership

Membership is separate from signing the petition. Individuals who support the petition may later be invited to apply for membership under the organisation's Constitution, Membership Terms and Privacy Notice.

Founding Supporters

Those who signed the petition before the formal relaunch may be recognised as Founding Supporters. This acknowledges their early support but does not automatically confer membership, voting rights, ownership or financial interests.

Governance Structure

The organisation may include a Board of Trustees or Directors, advisory groups, working groups, volunteers and members. Detailed governance arrangements will be published in the ARM Constitution.

Accountability

Regular reporting, published policies, financial transparency and member participation are intended to strengthen confidence in the organisation and support its long-term sustainability.

Conclusion

Strong governance is essential to building trust. ARM seeks to combine democratic participation with effective organisational management in support of reparatory justice.