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**COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP FOR BELONGING IN MARRICKVILLE**

**INITIAL PLANNING MEETING**

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The program will take place over a series of six one day workshops from October 2002 to December 2003, and will also include Community Leadership Dinners, mentoring, support and a 'showcase forum' in October 2003. The only cost to participants is their time. The first meeting will be held on the 3rd week of October 2002.

In order to help us plan the content of the program a short planning meeting will be held on **Friday 6th September 10am - 12 noon**. You are invited to attend this meeting which will be held in the Council Chambers, Marrickville Council, Level 3 Administrative Building, 2 Fisher St, Petersham.

It would be appreciated if you could let me know whether or not you will be able to attend this meeting by Wednesday 4th September 2002 by email [mcd@marrickville.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mcd@marrickville.nsw.gov.au) or phone on 9335 2154.



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Applications for participation close 16 September 2002. To apply, please provide the following information to Council's Manager Community Development, Linda Livingstone, on 9335 2154 or email [mcd@marrickville.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mcd@marrickville.nsw.gov.au) or contact Derek Waddell at the Centre for Popular Education, UTS on 9514 3822 or email [Derek.waddell@uts.edu.au](mailto:Derek.waddell@uts.edu.au):

- Name, Group or Organisation, Nature of position
- Contact details
- Brief statement about why you are interested in the program
- Brief description and discussion of some possibilities for work with emerging leaders