

WAKEFIELD CIVIC SOCIETY

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Corporate Memberships

Wakefield Civic Society was formed in 1964 and is a registered charity. All our Committee members are volunteers who give freely of their time in support of the Society's aims. The Society relies on the membership subscriptions, donations and fund-raising activities for its income.

In addition to organising social events, we also offer our popular guided walks and present an annual programme of lectures (to which admission is free). In the summer months, we offer a series of excursions to places of interest (for which a charge is made) and 'make-your-own-way' visits to places closer to home. In the past, we have facilitated projects to refurbish and improve buildings and open spaces. We have also erected blue plaques around Wakefield to commemorate noteworthy events, people or buildings and we run our coveted annual Restaurant of the Year and Design Award schemes.

One of our main activities is, however, to scrutinise planning applications and make comments or raise objections where we feel that proposed developments are not in keeping with Wakefield's best interests.

Part of our strategy is to form partnerships with businesses and other organisations who share our concern about what happens to Wakefield and we want to do this by inviting you to consider one of our corporate memberships. We would be happy to talk about corporate membership services and benefits to any organisation considering membership of the Society and it is likely that the information given for each category will evolve over time.

We are also keen to work with businesses and other organisations on practical issues where we hope to be able to share skills and knowledge and we would, in addition, like to invite you to consider sponsorship for events and publications or to host events for the Society. Of course, we always acknowledge the help provided by any sponsors and would be happy to arrange for your logo to be displayed on any materials that you may choose to sponsor. We may also seek sponsorship and assistance for some of our refurbishment projects.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of corporate membership or sponsorship, please contact our President, Kevin Trickett, on 01924 361180.

Corporate Opportunities:

Gold, Silver and Bronze annual memberships	Sponsorship – publications and projects	Hosting social and fundraising events	Hosting public and members meetings	Provision of skills and services
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Benefits of Membership

As a registered charity, the Society relies on the subscriptions it receives from its members for a large part of its income. By joining the Society as a corporate member you will be helping the Society to continue its good work in trying to ensure that Wakefield is an appealing place in which to live, work or do business while also helping to attract visitors to our city. We are a member of Civic Voice, the umbrella organisation for civic societies and a member of the Yorkshire and Humber Association of Civic Societies (YHACS).

Our membership year runs from 1st January to 31st December. Organisations joining mid-year can, at their discretion, pay a proportionate membership subscription representing the remaining months of the calendar year at the time of joining; otherwise they can make full payment.

Our Aims:

- The encouragement of high standards of architecture and town planning.
- The stimulation of public interest in the beauty, history and character of the area.
- The preservation, development and improvement of features of public amenity and historical interest.
- The implementation of these ends by exhibitions, lectures, publications and other means.

Bronze Membership - £75 per annum

This is the entry level for businesses, other organisations and schools. In addition to supporting our work, you will receive a copy of our newsletter every quarter and receive full details of our programme of events which will be open to your staff or members. By nominating someone from your organisation to attend as your representative, you will also be able to vote on the future direction of the Society at its Annual General Meeting in March and at Special Meetings that may be called from time to time. You will also be able to seek advice on any planning application or development work you may be considering in Wakefield from members of the Executive Committee *before* submitting your application to the Council. **Where schools wish to join us as corporate members, we will provide a tailored package which will include free copies of some of our publications, talks to pupils and teaching staff, and the opportunity to work with us on projects of mutual interest.**

All corporate members will be acknowledged in our publications, on our internet site and in our Annual Report (www.wakefieldcivicsociety.org.uk).

Silver Membership - £250 per annum

Membership as for Bronze but, in addition, we offer one free ticket to our chargeable social events and will bring Silver and Gold members together from time to time to share concerns about Wakefield and help to set the Society's agenda for coming years (subject to support of the membership or Committee where appropriate). There will also be opportunities for you to host events in conjunction with the Society.

Gold Membership - £500 per annum

As for Silver membership but with two free tickets to our chargeable social events. We also intend to hold occasional networking events with our Gold members to establish a consensus on what needs to happen in Wakefield to raise its profile, develop its image and promote its historic and architectural heritage. Gold Members and the Society Executive will then work towards delivering this agenda. There will also be opportunities for you to host events in conjunction with the Society.

We shall be pleased to receive feedback and suggestions on how these benefits can be further developed.

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Corporate/Organisational Membership form

I/we wish to join Wakefield Civic Society and

* (a) enclose the appropriate subscription

* (b) payment is being made directly into the Society's bank account by bank transfer

* (c) please invoice me for the appropriate subscription

* (d) please contact me to discuss .

(* please delete as required)

Type of membership required:

Corporate/organisational - Bronze

£75.00

Corporate/organisational - Silver

£250.00

Corporate/organisational - Gold

£500.00

Cheques/payments should be made payable to "Wakefield Civic Society" and sent along with this form to:

The Hon. Treasurer, Mrs J Broadbent, PO Box 380, Wakefield, WF1 3WT.

Alternatively, payment can be made by bank transfer into our account with the Cooperative Bank. Please quote sort code 08-02-28 and account number 65517509. Please advise us if you make a payment direct so that we are aware you have done so.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Full name and title (Block letters, please):

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other: _____

Position: _____

Company/Organisation: _____

Address: _____

_____ Post Code: _____

Phone/Fax No: _____ Email address: _____