

## Payment

**Membership fee** – membership is £1.50 per member (excluding life members) up to a maximum of £500.

**Founder member discount** – you may deduct 10% from your membership fee if you join as a founder member before the end of May 2010.

**Donation for life members** – we ask for a donation of £1.50 per life member in the first year of joining.

**Donations** – with your donation we can make Civic Voice financially independent more quickly.

<b>Membership fee</b>	£
<b>Founder member discount</b>	-£
<b>Sub total</b>	£
<b>Donation for life members</b>	£
<b>Donation</b>	£
<b>TOTAL</b>	£

We wish to pay by cheque/postal order made payable to **Civic Voice**

OR

We wish to pay by BACS transfer

Account 'Civic Voice' | Account no. 68045492 | Sort code 08 02 28

By joining you acknowledge that your group shares similar objectives to Civic Voice and will keep us informed of any material changes. You also agree to receive notices, accounts and other documents and communications via the email you have given to Civic Voice or by means of a website. We will use the details provided in this application as our main contact. If you wish to change the main contact or receive information in another way please write to us at Civic Voice, Unit 101, 82 Wood Street, The Tea Factory, Liverpool L1 4DQ.

SIGNATURE

DATE


Civic Voice holds and manages data in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. We will not pass your details on to any commercial organisation.

## Further information

For more information about Civic Voice and the work of the civic movement visit [www.civicvoice.org.uk](http://www.civicvoice.org.uk)

You can email us at [info@civicvoice.org.uk](mailto:info@civicvoice.org.uk) or write to Civic Voice, Unit 101, 82 Wood Street, The Tea Factory, Liverpool L1 4DQ; or ring **0151 708 9920**

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**making  
the move**

**Civic Voice is here**

## Welcome to Civic Voice

The debate is over, the Civic Society Initiative is ending and Civic Voice is here.

Civic Voice is the new national charity for the civic movement. We work to make the places where everyone lives more attractive, enjoyable and distinctive. We speak up for civic societies and local communities across England. We promote civic pride.

Civic societies across the country have asked for an independent national body to be set up on behalf of the civic movement. In a fast changing world a powerful voice promoting civic pride is needed now more than ever before.

**“Nowhere should be without its civic society and no-one should be without the voice you can provide.”**

*HRH The Prince of Wales, October 2009*

## Your organisation: your voice

Civic Voice is your organisation. We exist to champion the work of the civic movement, embracing the ambitions of voluntary civic and amenity societies, conservation bodies and other local groups. We campaign nationally and provide the civic movement with the support it needs to be more successful locally. You will decide our priorities and benefit from our campaigns. We will help on the issues that matter to you. The majority of our trustees are elected by civic society members. Through a growing membership from local groups we will become financially independent: supported by the civic movement, for the civic movement.



## How we work

Civic Voice is a small light footed organisation. As a national voice with a strong local presence we make a difference where it matters. You will find us lobbying in Whitehall and Westminster, campaigning with local volunteers, speaking out in the media, undertaking research, building partnerships and promoting civic pride. We support local groups and help them work together. We organise a convention for the civic movement and give local groups a national voice. We combine community action with sense of place for the benefit of everyone. We know how people feel about places because we feel the same way. We talk civic sense.

## Our vision

Our vision for 2015 is for a civic movement with a strong local presence and an influential national voice. We will be active on the national, city and local stage, working in partnership across the UK. Civic societies will perform at the level of the best today and the civic movement will reach more places and benefit more people from all walks of life. Our reputation and authority will make us the first port of call for anyone seeking to develop, conserve or interpret the quality, beauty and character of our towns, cities and villages or to engage people in shaping their future. We will be a source of civic pride and people will know us for our independence of thought, challenging perspective and positive outlook. We will listen, advise, support and act on behalf of communities everywhere. Everyone will know they have a voice and a champion for the place where they live.



**“The views of civic societies should be heard. We need a powerful new voice speaking out on the issues that matter and helping the civic movement become ever stronger.”**

*Griff Rhys Jones*

## Join Civic Voice today

Joining Civic Voice will make your local group more successful. Your credibility will grow and you will attract more members. You will be part of the country's most important movement campaigning for the places where everyone lives to be more attractive, enjoyable and distinctive.

Complete and return the form, right, or you may also join online at [www.civicvoice.org.uk/join.html](http://www.civicvoice.org.uk/join.html)

## 10 good reasons to join

- 1 You will have a voice lobbying and campaigning on the national policies and issues that you can't change locally and have a higher media profile.
- 2 You will get authority and recognition from saying you are a member of Civic Voice and be able to use the logo on your letterhead and website.
- 3 You will have voting rights at our AGM, elect trustees and shape our priorities.
- 4 You will have access to tailored information bulletins and a lively website and we will set up and host a dedicated website for any civic society that wants one free of charge.
- 5 You will get support on local planning and policy issues.
- 6 You will know more about what other civic and amenity societies are doing and have more opportunities to meet and debate with them.
- 7 Your group will have access to the tailored insurance policy for civic societies provided by Bluefin, the most affordable of its kind, and benefit financially from Bluefin's personal health, home, motor, travel, pet and heating insurance products taken out by your members.
- 8 You will automatically become a member of NCVO (National Council for Voluntary Organisations) and receive benefits that include help and advice on funding, managing volunteers and a free legal information service.
- 9 Your members will all be offered a free day access pass to the National Trust (worth up to £14) and if they are already members this can be given to a friend or relative who isn't.
- 10 You will benefit from free current account banking services from The Co-operative Bank that pay premium interest rates.

## Joining Civic Voice

We welcome civic and amenity societies and other local groups as members of Civic Voice. To join Civic Voice simply complete the details below and post your application with your cheque or BACS details to:

Civic Voice, Unit 101, 82 Wood Street,  
The Tea Factory, Liverpool L1 4DQ

NAME OF SOCIETY OR GROUP

MAIN CONTACT NAME

ROLE (EG. CHAIR)

ADDRESS

POSTCODE

TELEPHONE

EMAIL

WEBSITE

TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS\*

\*You should count joint and family memberships as two members. Please include life members and corporate members where you have them.

NUMBER OF LIFE MEMBERS

*Continued overleaf*