

Birmingham Disability Resource Centre Limited

Membership Scheme

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1. **Membership Categories**

Membership is open to :-

- **Individuals**
- Individuals aged 16 years or over (the BDRC's constitution does require that a minimum of 60% of our membership are disabled people)
- **Groups and Organisations**
- Any group or organisation that is run by a minimum of 60% of individuals with a disability.

Further details about Membership are set out in our Memorandum and Articles of Association. (Copy available on request from the Birmingham Disability Resource Centre).

2. **What does being a Member mean?**

Being both a registered Charity and a Company Limited by Guarantee, the BDRC is duty bound to promote a membership scheme and attract members to the organisation.

Individuals who have been members for 6 months or more would also be eligible for election onto the Board of Directors either through being co-opted or by formal election at the Annual General Meeting.

3. **Membership Benefits**

- The opportunity to contribute to the democratic accountability of the BDRC
- The opportunity to nominate candidates for election to the Board
- The opportunity to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting
- The opportunity to become more involved in the running of the BDRC's services, through participation at Service User Group Meetings.
- Free Newsletters.
- Access to the BDRC Website.

- Discounts on room hire including meeting rooms and conference facilities
- Discounts on BDRC training packages and events
- Discounts on BDRC business services
- Access to the BDRC's Resources Library

4. **Rules & Conditions of Membership**

- Members must be prepared to abide by the BDRC Policy Statement. (Copy attached)
- All membership fees must be paid annually by the due date, otherwise membership may be terminated.
- All membership details will remain private and confidential in line with data protection requirements.

5. **Membership Subscriptions**

- **Individuals**
- At present the BDRC does not charge for individual membership. However, if an individual would like to make a donation towards the cost of the BDRC undertaking its work, cheques should be made payable to 'Birmingham Disability Resource Centre '.
- **Groups and Organisations**

Criteria	Annual Subscription
Groups & Organisations with income of less than £25,000 in the last financial year	£5
Groups & Organisations with income of between £25,000 and £100,000 in the last financial year	£10
Groups & Organisations with income with income of between from £100,000 to £200,000 in the last financial year	£20
Groups & Organisations with income of £200,000 and over in the last financial year	£25

6. Membership Application

Please complete the attached application form and return it, together with your cheque to :-

Louise Simmons
Chief Executive & Company Secretary
Birmingham Disability Resource Centre
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7. Additional Information

If you should require further help or assistance or you would like the membership pack and application form in another format such as:

- Another language
- Large print
- Braille
- Audio Tape
- Floppy Disk

Please contact the BDRC (details given in the above section)

Membership Application

Surname:..... First Name:.....

Preferred Title (e.g. Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms etc)

Address:.....

.....Postcode

Home Tel No:..... Work Tel No:.....

Fax No.....:..... Email:

Do you consider yourself to have a disability? Yes No

Category of Membership applied for? Individual Group/Organisation

If Group/Organisation, please provide the name of the Group/Organisation and the address (if different from above)

Name

Address

Income last financial year ? Under 25k £25-£100k £100-£200k £200k +

I/we agree to become a member of BDRC and abide by the rules and decisions taken by the organisation

Signed Date

Please return to: Louise Simmons, Chief Executive & Company Secretary at the BDRC.

This information will be kept and used for membership purposes.

If you DO NOT wish to be kept informed of other areas of BDRC's work, please tick here