

## Wakefield Civic Society

Building interest in Wakefield since 1964

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#### **Wakefield Civic Society**

# - an organisation dedicated to making Wakefield a better place in which to live, work, relax - or do business.

Whether you are a resident of Wakefield or someone working or running a business here, the Society can offer something of interest. Not only do we keep our members up to date about what's happening in and around Wakefield (or being planned) through our regular newsletters and emails, we also run a full programme of events throughout the year. From talks and social events, through blue plaques and design awards, to guided walks and excursions, there is something for everyone. Our members receive copies of our newsletters and have opportunities to take part in the debate on how Wakefield develops.

The Society was established in 1964 out of a concern for the built environment of our city. As a registered charity, the Society is dedicated both to conserving and celebrating our built heritage and to campaigning for new developments to be of the very highest standard and quality possible.

The Society relies on the membership subscriptions, donations, publication sales and fund-raising activities for its income. All our Committee members are volunteers who give freely of their time in support of the Society's aims - we estimate that they give up over 3,000 hours each year in volunteer effort!

We regularly scrutinise planning applications submitted to the council and raise comments where we consider it appropriate to do so. We also discuss proposals for new developments with property owners, developers and council officials in order to help improve outcomes.

Membership of the Society is open to any individual or organisation sharing our ideals and we have a range of personal and corporate membership schemes available.

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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. Corporate memberships are an increasingly important part of our strategy to build the Society into one of the best Societies in the country!

If you are sympathetic to our aims and would like to join us, the cost would be £75, £250 or £500 per year for Bronze, Silver or Gold membership respectively.

In addition to our other activities, we organise special events for our corporate members from time to time. These events can be networking events with other corporate members, social events with the rest of the membership, or special team events for your colleagues such as guided walks and talks.

#### Want to know more?

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

#### How to contact us:

By post: Wakefield Civic Society, PO Box 380, Town Hall, Wood Street, Wakefield, WF1 3WT.

By email: info@wakefieldcivicsociety.org.uk

By telephone: 07967 516 841 Twitter: @WakefieldCivics

You can also find us on Facebook

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A growing number of local businesses and other organisations are joining the Society by taking out one of the following corporate membership schemes:

### Bronze Membership - £75 per annum

This is the entry level for businesses and organisations. 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.

All corporate members will be acknowledged in our publications and on our web site. There will also be an opportunity to place a free advertisement for your business or organisation in our annual report each year.

#### Silver Membership - £250 per annum

Membership as for Bronze but, in addition, we intend to establish a network of Silver and Gold members who will come 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).

#### Gold Membership - £500 per annum

As for Silver membership but, in addition, we intend to hold networking events and seminars 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.

#### **General Information**

Our membership year runs from January to December and we invite our corporate members to renew their memberships at the beginning of each year.

Although our events are open to all employees, our corporate members have just one vote at any meeting or ballot where members are asked to vote on Society business. We therefore ask our corporate members to nominate one member of staff to cast that vote on behalf of the member organisation.

Where corporate members join the Society part way through a calendar year, they can, at their discretion, pay a pro-rata membership fee based on one twelfth of the appropriate fee for each remaining month of the year.

We shall be pleased to receive feedback and suggestions on how these benefits can be further developed. We are also willing to talk to any organisation willing to offer business services in part payment of the corporate membership fee. Please contact us for details.

The Society is a member of the Yorkshire and Humber Association of Civic Societies (YHACS) and Civic Voice, regional and national bodies respectively campaigning on behalf of the civic society movement.

#### **WAKEFIELD CIVIC SOCIETY**

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## **Corporate/Organisational Membership form**

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I/we wish to join Wakefield Civic Society (\*):

- a. A cheque is enclosed for the appropriate subscription
- b. A 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 further

(\* please delete as appropriate)

#### Type of membership required:

		Please tick:
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 l	letters, please):	
Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other:		
Address:		
	Post Code:	
Phone/Fax No:	Email address:	