

Benefits of membership

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There are two types of membership to the Development Trusts Association:

- Full membership is for organisations that are development trusts
- Associate membership is for organisations that are not development trusts but support the aims of development trusts and would like to become a partner in our movement.



Skaters, Rockingham Forest Trust
Northamptonshire



Farm seminar, PLANED - Pembrokeshire

Core Member Offer

Both full and associate members will benefit from our core member offer, additional benefits are also available for full members.

All members will benefit from the following:

Voice & Influence

- the opportunity to contribute to regional and national policy consultations and shape the DTA's policy agenda
- the opportunity to participate in the running of the DTA and contribute to the Association's strategic development
- voting rights at DTA elections and the opportunity to be elected to the DTA Board of Trustees
- access to representation and support on funding, lobbying and campaigning

Networking

- access to the UK's leading network of community enterprise practitioners
- opportunities to share experiences and exchange ideas at regional and national practitioner forums
- discounted rates to attend the DTA annual national conference, seminars and other events
- access to other networks through the DTA's strategic partnerships within the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise sectors

Resources

- access to specialist information and one-to-one advice from our regional and national staff team
- access to the DTA's monthly e-bulletin providing valuable news updates on policy issues, member news, events, funding, and awards opportunities
- access to the DTA's quarterly policy e-

Other benefits

- the option to occasionally Hot-Desk at our London headquarters between 9am-5pm on weekdays*
- member profile to be added to the DTA website

*subject to prior arrangement and availability.

bulletin providing detailed information on current policy issues relevant to the DTA and its members.

Additional benefits for full members

- access to our Knowledge and Skills Exchange small grants fund
- free legal advice from interchange Legal Advisory Services
- free VAT advice from Deloitte
- discounted insurance services from Finance ReDirect
- one free subscription to New Start Magazine
- Full range of products and services from partner organisations in the Community Alliance
- Full voting rights for DTA Board and Committee elections in the Full Member category.

Your contribution

Membership is not only about benefits. Members are also contributing to the community enterprise movement, as a member you would be encouraged to:

- share your experience and information with other members
- welcome enquiries and visits from interested parties
- attend the annual members' conference
- support your regional network and value the work of other members
- provide information to the DTA about your organisation and your work
- promote the development trust movement and its values
- use the DTA logo on your website and other promotional material where appropriate
- welcome visits and assessments from DTA regional staff

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