

Citizens Advice Bournemouth & Poole Membership

Citizens Advice Bournemouth & Poole is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee whose objects are:

To promote any charitable purpose for the public benefit by the advancement of education, the protection and preservation of health and the relief of poverty, sickness and distress in particular, but without limitation, for the benefit of the community in Bournemouth and surrounding areas.

It is governed by a set of rules called the Articles of Association which are available on our website, or a copy can be requested from Emma Lee, Head of Partnerships & Business Development. The charitable company is ultimately controlled by its members. They elect trustees, who are also directors, to sit on a committee that regularly meets to manage the charity, and report back to members at least once a year at an AGM.

Members:

- Are kept in touch with news and developments
- Can be elected to serve as a trustee on the committee
- Can vote at general meetings of the charity
- Can call the committee to account if unhappy with any of its decisions
- Guarantee to pay up to a maximum of £10 towards any unpaid debts if Citizens Advice Bournemouth & Poole is wound up whilst a member, or within one year of their membership ending (this is normal for charitable companies)

Citizens Advice Bournemouth & Poole would like to encourage you to be a member because it makes the committee legally answerable to you and it would demonstrate your support for what Citizens Advice Bournemouth & Poole does.

Membership runs from January to December each year. Membership is free and open to individuals and organisations that support the above objects and apply to the Trustees on the form overleaf. Membership will only be refused if the Trustees consider it to be in the best interests of the charity. If you wish to become a member please fill in the form and return it to Emma Lee, Head of Partnerships & Business Development and your application will be considered at the next committee meeting.

We look forward to you becoming a member.

Citizens Advice Bournemouth & Poole Membership Application

Please print clearly in **BLACK** ink.

Name

Address
Postcode

Telephone

E-mail

Organisation Representative

If you are an organisation rather than an individual please complete this section with the details of your representative who will be entitled to vote at general meetings, appoint a proxy in their place and nominate people for election to the board.

Name

Address
Postcode

Telephone

E-mail

I apply to be a member of Citizens Advice Bournemouth & Poole and support its objects. I have read and understand the information provided describing my limited liability as a member and I agree to being liable for up to £10 should the organisation become insolvent. I agree to the above information being held on a computer and used for information purposes in accordance with the Data Protection Act.

Signed

Date

Print Name
