



Waddington Street Centre

A Community Mental Health Resource

An invitation to become a
Company Member of:

Waddington Street Centre Limited

Company No. 2330506

Waddington Street Centre Limited is a Company registered in England limited by guarantee
Company No. 2330506, Charity Registration No. 701514
Registered Office: 3 Waddington Street, Durham. DH1 4BG

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About the Centre ...

Waddington Street Centre in Durham City works to deliver effective and meaningful opportunities to people living in the community with established mental health needs.

It is an independent, voluntary sector organisation where service users, volunteers and staff work closely together to improve the quality of people's lives, support recovery and self development and make care in the community a reality.

Our Resource Centre in Waddington Street offers a wide range of services, including social activities, advice and support and educational activities. We also have supported housing schemes. Since it was established in 1981, Waddington Street Centre has grown and developed. Today, it is one of the largest and most successful voluntary sector facilities for people with mental health difficulties in the north of England.

About Waddington Street Centre Ltd ...

Like many voluntary sector organisations, Waddington Street Centre is a registered Charity and it is also a limited company (a 'company limited by guarantee'). The company is made up of people who are interested in the work of the Centre and want to show their support. People are admitted to membership of the company by the Board of Directors.

Members of the company choose which company members will serve as Directors. The Directors have responsibility for overseeing the work of the Centre. The Board of Directors meets monthly to discuss issues and plan for the future. The Directors work for the good of the

Centre and direct the Centre on behalf of the whole company.

At present (August 2010) there are eleven Directors. The work of the Board is also supported by service user representatives and other advisors who attend Board meetings.

An invitation ...

We want to invite anyone who supports the work of the Centre to become members of the company.

We would like the company to have a broad base and to include a wide range of people. If you are interested in what we do at the Centre and want to show your support, please consider joining the company. We want to have a company membership which includes service users, carers, local residents and professionals - indeed, anyone who supports the work of Waddington Street Centre.

As a member of the company you will:

- ◆ be invited to the Annual General Meeting
- ◆ be able to stand for election as a Director on the Board
- ◆ be able to vote for other company members to be elected as Directors on the Board.

As a member of a limited company, your personal liability is very limited - amounting to only £1. In the unlikely event of the company being wound up, the liability of members of the company is limited to only £1. (If you want to see the company's Articles and Memorandum of Association, please ask the Centre's Manager, Steve Wakefield).

By joining Waddington Street Centre Ltd as a member of the company you can show your support and play a part in the Centre's future - and have a formal stake in the company that runs the Centre.

To join, please fill in the Membership Form. When you have been accepted as a member of the company we will let you know. Each year, we will ask you if you want to remain a member and invite you to the Annual General Meeting.

If you want more information please contact Waddington Street Centre on 0191 3860702. The current Directors on the Board and members of the Centre's staff are also available to provide further information.

Thank you

Fred Robinson

Chair of the Waddington Street Centre Limited
Board of Directors

WADDINGTON STREET CENTRE LIMITED

Application for Membership of the Company

I wish to become a company member of Waddington Street Centre Limited for the year 2009/10 (until the next AGM, November/December 2010).

Name:

Address:.....

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Tel No:.....

Signature:

Date:.....

Please return this form to:

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