

ॐ THE READING HINDU CENTRE ॐ

(Registered Charity Number 1115850)

at

READING HINDU TEMPLE

112 Whitley Street, Reading, RG2 0EQ

Tel: 0118 9751067

web address: www.readinghindutemple.com

Objects: Provide place of worship for the followers of Hindu Religion, and Promote and encourage the values of the Hindu Religion / Faith for the benefit of the public at large

APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

Title (Mr / Mrs / Ms / Dr / Other) _____ Name _____

Address (House number & Road) _____

City / Town _____ Post Code _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

I would like to apply for renewal of one of the following types of membership (Tick as appropriate).

Please carefully read the membership information given on the back page before ticking.

- Annual membership (open to those individuals who are of the Hindu Faith) - Renewal fee is £5
- Associate membership (open to those individuals who are not of Hindu faith) - Renewal fee £5
- Corporate membership (open to charitable and voluntary organisations) - Renewal fee £25

Please note:

- (1) Cheque should be drawn in favour of Reading Hindu Centre,
- (2) Membership year is 1 January – 31 December, and
- (3) In order to be eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), the renewal membership fee must be paid by 20 June.

Declaration

- ❖ I agree to abide by the constitution, regulations and rules laid down by the executive committee.
- ❖ I will pay by a cheque /will pay by cash or make an online payment for the non-refundable renewal fee for an Annual / Associate / Corporate membership (tick as appropriate)
- please make Cheques payable to the Reading Hindu Centre.
- ❖ I am available for voluntary work – Yes / No (please tick as appropriate)
- ❖ I do not object to Reading Hindu Centre holding my personal information as provided above
- ❖ I have read the membership information given on the next page.

Signed _____ Date _____

Please return the fully completed application form with appropriate fee to the Membership Secretary at the above address.

For Official use only:

Date of application received _____ Approved at the EC Meeting on _____

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Membership Information

Types of Membership

Annual/Life Membership of the Charity shall be open to those individuals who:

1. are of the Hindu Faith, and
2. are aged eighteen or above, and are interested in supporting and furthering the objects and the work of the Charity, and
3. shall abide by the regulations and rules laid down in this constitution and by the executive committee from time to time, and
4. have paid the non-refundable membership fee as prescribed from time to time by the Executive Committee

Associate Membership of the Charity shall be open to those individuals who satisfy the criteria's 2, 3 and 4 as stated above, but are not of the Hindu faith.

Corporate Membership of the Charity shall be open to any local, national, international, charitable or voluntary organisation whether corporate or incorporate, which has an interest in the objectives and furthering the work of the Charity, provided that the:

- Corporate Members' aims and objectives must not conflict with the objectives of the Charity
- Corporate member pays non-refundable membership fee as prescribed by the Executive Committee
- Each Corporate Member may nominate one member of their organisation to attend the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Charity and observe the business conducted.

Membership Procedure

- Membership period (not applicable to Life Membership) shall commence on 1 January and end on 31 December each year.
- An individual/or organisation that wishes to become a member of the Charity shall complete the relevant membership application form and submit it to the Joint Secretary, along with the appropriate membership fee. The membership application shall be presented to the Executive committee for approval as soon as it is practicable.
- The Executive Committee may only refuse membership application if, acting reasonably and properly, it considers it to be in the best interests of Charity to refuse the application.
- The Executive Committee must inform the applicant in writing of the outcome of the application and if applicable the reasons for the refusal within twenty-eight days of the decision.
- In the event of an application being refused the applicant may make written representation to the Executive committee within 28 days, which the Executive Committee will consider as soon as practicable. The Committee's decision following any representations must be notified to the applicant in writing within 28 days of its decision, but shall be final.
- Membership is non transferable.
- The Executive Committee must keep the record of names and addresses of the members.

Termination of membership

The Executive Committee shall have the power to terminate any membership if the:

- member dies, or if it is an organisation, ceases to exist.
- member resigns by giving 21 days written notice to the charity.
- any sum due from the member to the charity is not paid in full within three months of it falling due without reasonable excuse.
- member is removed from membership by a resolution of the Executive Committee that it is deemed to be in the best interests of the Charity that his/her or organisation's membership is terminated. A resolution to remove a member from membership may only be passed if:
- the member has been given at least twenty-one days' notice in writing of the meeting of the Executive Committee at which the resolution will be proposed and the reason why it is to be proposed. A member shall be allowed to make representations to this meeting, which he/she may attend with an individual (who should also be a member of the charity). The decision of the Executive Committee shall be *final* and notified to the member within 28 days of the meeting.

Voting rights

- Annual / Life member shall have right of one vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), Extra-ordinary General Meeting (EGM) or any General meeting called by the Executive Committee where members are required to cast a vote, provided that the Annual / Life member has been a member of the charity continuously for a period of not less than 12 months up to the date of the notice of such a meeting.