

THE ASSOCIATION OF TEESDALE DAY CLUBS

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Membership

Introduction

The Association of Teesdale Day Clubs (in future referred to as The Association) was founded to provide the elderly, infirm and socially isolated residents of Teesdale with an opportunity to interact with each other and the wider community whilst retaining their independence. These people form the membership of the individual clubs and are the primary focus of all that we do.

The Association strives to provide social interaction, entertainment, education, help and assistance to all its members. This is accomplished through dedicated staff, volunteers and the Trustees.

Policy

It is the policy of The Association to provide the opportunity of membership to all eligible residents of Teesdale subject to availability of places.

Principles

- Eligibility of members:
 - 1) Members must be resident within Teesdale and preference will be given to individuals conforming to one or more of the following categories:
 - a) Over 50 years of age
 - b) Suffering from an infirmity which restricts mobility
 - c) Living in a secluded or isolated area where social interaction is difficult.
 - 2) In some cases it may be necessary to refuse membership to applicants whose infirmity requires special care which The Association is unable to provide.
 - 3) The Association reserves the right to reject anyone who may be considered a danger to other members, staff or volunteers.
- Members must abide by any legal or health & safety regulations.
- Members must not perform any operation which may be a risk to their own or others health and/or safety.
- Individual club leaders are responsible for the members in their care.
- Individual club leaders are empowered to exclude any member who causes disruption or breaks any of the rules of The Association.
- Any person wishing to make a complaint against The Association or any person working on it's behalf should contact a Club Leader or General Manager on 01833 695822 for a copy of the complaints procedure.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by the Chairperson:

Date;