



Haringey Circle – Membership Fee FAQs

Why is Haringey Circle introducing a membership fee?

Haringey Circle has always aimed to keep membership free, but as the Circle has grown to around 900 members, the cost of running the organisation has increased.

Introducing a small, annual membership contribution will help us maintain and develop the activities and support that members value, while helping to make Circle more financially sustainable for the future.

We know that introducing a membership fee is a change for Circle members, and we understand that you may have questions. We have kept the fee as low as possible and, most importantly, we don't want cost to prevent anyone from being part of Haringey Circle. If you are worried about paying, please talk to us.

When will I have to start paying?

The membership fee will apply from **1st November 2026**; you will have until **30th November** to pay the fee.

How much will membership cost?

There are three options:

- **£25 a year** – the standard membership option
- **£3 a month** – paid by Direct Debit
- **£50 a year – Pay Forward** – for members who would like to help cover the membership of someone who may not be able to afford it.

What if I can't afford £25 or £3/month

Please don't worry. **Nobody should be excluded from Haringey Circle because they cannot afford the membership fee.**

If the fee would be difficult for you to pay, please contact us. We will discuss the options with you confidentially.

What do I get for my membership?

Your membership helps you access the wide range of activities, services and opportunities offered through Haringey Circle.

This includes discounts on some activities we negotiate, our new **Handyperson and Gardening Service** starting soon, as well as social activities, outings, opportunities to meet other members and many other benefits.

Most activities will be free, but some activities may have a separate charge to cover their costs, as they do now. There will be an additional cost for the Handyperson and Gardening service based on a reasonable hourly rate and with no call-out charge.

Can Circle members live outside Haringey?

Haringey Circle is a Charity for the benefit of Haringey residents. However, if you are a Circle member living in Haringey you can nominate one friend who lives elsewhere e.g. Enfield, Barnet, Camden or Islington, to become an Associate Circle member for an annual fee of £35.

Why can't Haringey Circle continue to be free?

Haringey Circle is a charity and relies heavily on grants and donations. These do not cover the everyday costs of running the organisation which is over £2000/month.

A modest membership contribution will give us a more reliable source of income and help us continue to **support each other to live happier, healthier lives.**

Do I have to pay £25 if I only use Circle occasionally?

The membership fee is for membership of Haringey Circle rather than payment for individual activities.

We hope that being a member gives you the opportunity to take part whenever you want – whether that is regularly or only occasionally.

What happens if I don't want to pay?

If you have not paid the membership fee by 30th November you will no longer be a Circle member and not be able to join any Circle activities, trips and events. We will continue to send you information about Circle and hope that you will decide to join again later in the year.

How do I pay my Circle membership subscription?

Details of how to pay will be included with your membership email in mid-October. You will be asked to complete a new membership form at the same time as paying your annual membership subscription.

All members will receive confirmation of payment and an easy to remember Circle ID which may be requested as proof of membership at Circle activities and events.

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