

On April 1st 2015 the Association of Carers became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), our new charity number is 1159551. The benefits of being a CIO are as follows:

- Members and trustees are usually personally safeguarded from the financial liabilities the charity incurs, which is not normally the case for unincorporated charities
- The charity has a legal personality of its own, enabling it to conduct business in its own name, rather than the name of the trustees.

As a CIO, we now have the opportunity for people to become members of the Association. Membership is FREE and members have a say on how we operate, who our trustees are and can vote at our Annual General Meeting, they also receive a copy of our quarterly magazine, Carers Voice and other relevant information, such as details of our fundraising initiatives and changes to the way we deliver services.

A member can be anyone who receives our services or has received them in the past, is a volunteer or former volunteer or someone who wants to support us, because they believe that what we do is important. If you would like to become a member of the Association of Carers, please complete the form below and either pass it to a member of staff or return it by email to: info@associationofcarers.org.uk or by post to: Association of Carers, Jackson Hall, Portland Place, Hastings, TN34 1QN.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASSOCIATION OF CARERS (Charity No: 1159551)	
<i>Please complete this section in BLOCK CAPITALS</i>	
Forename/s:	Surname:
Address:	
Telephone Number:	Mobile Number:
Email Address:	
Preferred Communication Method:	Email / Telephone / Mobile / Post (please circle)
<p>I would like to become a member of the Association of Carers and I hereby declare that by making this application and signing below I have no criminal convictions and that I will carry out no activities which may bring the Association into disrepute.</p> <p>I accept that, if I am accepted for membership, my details will be held on a secure database and will not be passed to any third party without my express permission.</p> <p>I understand that I have a right to see any details held by the Association of Carers upon request.</p> <p>If you would like to contact us, please call 01424 722 309.</p>	
Signature:	Date: