

# Co-operatives East and Joining Us



Co-operatives East is a membership organisation dedicated to promoting and enabling a thriving co-operative sector in the East of England (Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Norfolk and Suffolk)

## Our aims are:

- To raise the profile of the co-operative sector
- To represent the interests of the East of England co-operative sector
- To support the development of co-operatives throughout the East of England
- To encourage mutual support, inter-trading, sharing of best practice, training and development opportunities between co-operatives
- To work with local, regional, national and transnational bodies to strengthen the co-operative sector

See more about what we do at [www.cooperatives-east.coop](http://www.cooperatives-east.coop)

## Benefits of joining

- Being a part of a united voice and co-operative 'family'
- Regular local and national co-operative news and information
- Invitations to meetings and events
- Networking, promotion and inter-trading opportunities
- Involvement in promoting co-operatives and co-operation
- Members have voting rights and can stand to be elected to the Management Committee

## Affiliates

Affiliates share our values and can be involved in our activities but they have no voting rights.

If you don't want to be a full Member you can join as an Affiliate.

## Who can join

- All co-operative and mutual organisations as well as other organisations operating in the East who promote co-operative principles and support our aims
- Individuals (18+) who support our aims

## Membership fees

Membership fees are a minimum of:

- £5 per year (April to March) for individuals
- £25 per year for 'Corporate' Members

Donations are welcomed

## How to join

Simply complete the application form and send it to us.

## For more information

See: [www.cooperatives-east.coop](http://www.cooperatives-east.coop)

Contact us: [contact@cooperatives-east.coop](mailto:contact@cooperatives-east.coop)

# Co-operatives East Membership & Affiliate Application Form

I/we would like to become (please tick):

- An Individual Member       A Corporate Member       An Affiliate  
(co-op, social enterprise, organisation, group...)

Name of individual or  
representative of corporate member

Organisation/co-op  
(if corporate applicant)

Address

E-mail

Website (if relevant)

Phone number

I/We wish to join Co-operatives East and confirm support for the aims of Co-operatives East and the internationally recognised co-operative values and principles as defined by the International Co-operative Alliance Statement (see [www.cooperatives-east.coop](http://www.cooperatives-east.coop)).

## If applying as a Corporate Member:

We confirm that we are a co-operative or that we promote co-operative principles. We agree to inform Co-operatives East if we wish to change our appointed representative.

Please do send us or email us information about your co-operative or organisation if you can.

## Payments for Members

I/we are enclosing a cheque/making an electronic payment for £ \_\_\_\_\_ \* for the current membership year (April to March). \* A minimum of £5 for individual, £25 for corporate members)

Cheques to be made payable to 'Co-operatives East'. Electronic payments to be made to 'Co-operatives East', sort code: 089299, account number: 65228513 including reference 'SD [name]'

Signed

Date

## Post completed forms to

Co-operatives East Secretariat, Red House, Post Office Lane, Reymerston, Norwich NR9 4RA  
or scan and email to [contact@cooperatives-east.coop](mailto:contact@cooperatives-east.coop)

*Your contact details will be held on a Co-operatives East database and not shared*

*Your email address will be added to our e-newsletter mailing list unless you tick here*

*Corporate Members will be listed on the Co-operatives East website unless you tick here*