



Member Benefits

Visionary is a diverse community including organisations of various shapes and sizes across the UK. However, we are united in our common goal of improving the lives of people with sight loss and, unlike larger, more generic membership organisations, we are able to offer a more tailored support service to our members. One of the key aspects of this is our relationship model which means that every member has an allocated team member as their initial point of contact as well as being able to access our other services.

Knowledge sharing

The member resources available offer many facilities to enable members to share best practice, experiences, network and keep in touch with the latest developments in the sight loss sector using the following methods of communication:

- Member Only website access with knowledge sharing and access to a range of toolkits and resources.
- Regular briefings to keep up-to-date on governance, funding, good practice, sector news and more.
- Peer mentoring opportunities.
- Regional/country groups.
- Co-ordination with national partners on sector developments and planning including representation on the UK Vision Strategy Leadership Group, the England Vision Strategy Executive Group and the VISION2020 UK Charities' Forum Steering Group.

Networking events

Visionary conferences are designed for delegates to share best practice and take away learning to improve the quality of service provided to people with sight loss across the UK.

- The two day Visionary Annual Conference provides a range of workshops and plenary sessions and includes a dinner and awards ceremony to celebrate the achievements of Visionary members.
- Leadership Conferences where the leaders (CEOs, senior management and trustees) of local sight loss organisations come together to network with each other and discuss opportunities and issues.

Development and Innovation

The Development and Innovation team supports members to develop ongoing and new services through:

- Access to quality guidelines, frameworks and principles for both organisational infrastructure and service delivery areas.
- Participation in working groups with other Visionary members, the wider sight loss sector and other relevant parties. Current working groups cover eye clinic services, rehabilitation, technology, volunteering and employment and we will be launching more over the coming year.
- The Development and Innovation fund which provides resource support and small grants for projects.

Income Development

The Income Development team supports all aspects of income from community fundraising and trading activity through to grants and contracts:

Opportunity Development Support

- Opportunity awareness and development (Pre-tender and opportunity assessment).
- Contracts/commissioning/funding bid development (tender process, post tender, contract/commission delivery, partnerships and bidding consortia).
- Contract loss/end – managing succession and organisation impact.
- Strategic positioning and planning to help increase income.
- Outcome and impact measurement tools and training - demonstrating and proving to others what it is you do and the difference this makes.
- Board and trustee development, especially at small organisations, so that they can provide better support and direction for your organisation.

Working with commissioners and funders

Visionary has a role to play in promoting the work of local sight loss charities and influencing commissioners in the design and procurement of VI services and also to support members to do so – we are doing this by:

- Show casing the VI sector.
- Raising the profile of the valuable contribution local sight loss organisations make to the services delivered to people living with sight loss.
- Supporting commissioners/funders to better understand how to engage more effectively with local sight loss organisations.

Contact Us

We hope that this has given you an overview of what you gain from being a Visionary member. For more information about the benefits of being a Visionary member, please contact the Member Engagement Team by emailing visionary@visionary.org.uk or calling 020 8090 9264, or visit our website www.visionary.org.uk.

New Membership Form

Full Member 2017



Part 1 – General Information

Charity details

Name of organisation:
Address:
Postcode:
Telephone number:
Email address:
Website address:
Facebook page:
Twitter handle:
Other social media accounts:

Chief Executive Officer / Leader details

First name:
Surname:
Role:
Telephone number:
Email address:
Preferred format:

Other contact details

Name, email address and preferred format of staff member/s for Visionary communications (list all who need it):

Name, email address and preferred format of staff members for Website User Accounts (list all who need it):

About your organisation

What member database or system do you use, if any?	
How many paid staff do you have (FTE)?	
How many of your staff are blind or partially sighted (FTE)?	
How many volunteers do you have?	
How many of your volunteers are blind or partially sighted?	
How many blind and partially sighted people do you support per year?	
Which geographical areas do you cover?	
How do you use the Seeing It My Way Outcomes in monitoring and evaluating your services, if at all?	

Visionary website charity locator profile, if different from above (for public use)

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone number:

Email address:

FORM 2 – Membership

To become a member of Visionary – linking local sight loss charities for the subscription year **1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018**, please tick the band that applies to your organisation based on your total annual income.

Band	Total annual income*	Annual fee	
A	Voluntary led or £50,000 or less	Free	<input type="checkbox"/>
B	£50,001 - £150,000	£30	<input type="checkbox"/>
C	£150,001 – £250,000	£50	<input type="checkbox"/>
D	£250,001 - £500,000	£150	<input type="checkbox"/>
E	£500,001 or more	£225	<input type="checkbox"/>

Notes:

- Your member band is based on your total annual income for your last complete accounting year.
- Total income is as per the Charity Commission definition and is usually referred to in your annual accounts as “total incoming resources” which includes all sources of income such as fundraising, contracts, grants, legacies etc.
- One off exceptional items can be excluded from total annual income for purposes of membership banding if disclosed upfront. If you have any exclusions, please provide details here:

Payment

Please select your payment method and make payment within 30 days of the date the form is signed.

Standing order

BACS

Visionary's bank details are:

NatWest Bank Plc, Cathedral Square, Peterborough, PE1 1XH

Sort code: 54-21-38

Account number: 29048656

Account name: Visionary

Please use your organisation name as the reference.

Cheque

Please make cheques payable to Visionary and send by post to:

Member Engagement Team

Visionary – linking local sight loss charities

C/O Pocklington Hub

Entrance D

Tavistock House South

Tavistock Square

London

WC1H 9LG

FORM 3 – Visionary Company Membership Guarantee Form

As a duly responsible and authorised person representing (enter name of organisation)

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I the undersigned, hereby apply for admission as a member of Visionary – linking local sight loss charities Limited (“**the company**”)

We agree to be bound by the Memorandum and Articles of the company and charity (available upon request from the company’s registered office) and by such rules or byelaws as may be made by the Board from time to time.

We acknowledge that a member of the company may incur liability to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of it being wound up but that the amount, which may be required to contribute, shall not exceed £10 (ten pounds).

We agree that all notices or other communication from the company shall be sent at the option of the company either to the postal address or email address specified, or as notified to the company in substitution thereof.

If in agreement with all notes on this page, please sign and date below.

All applications are accepted strictly at the Directors/Trustees discretion and once an application for membership has been accepted by the Board, any resignation must be delivered in writing to the company's email or postal address.

Signed by CEO/Leader _____ **Date** _____

Under the Data Protection Act 1998, we have a legal duty to protect any personal information we collect from you.

We will only use personal information you supply to us for the reason that you provided it for. We will only hold your information for as long as necessary to fulfil that purpose. We will not pass your information to any other parties unless this is made clear to you at the time you supplied it.

All employees and contractors who have access to your personal data or are associated with the handling of that data are obliged to respect your confidentiality.

Please return this completed form to the Member Engagement team via post to the following address

Member Engagement Team
Visionary – linking local sight loss charities
C/O Pocklington Hub
Entrance D
Tavistock House South
Tavistock Square
London
WC1H 9LG

FOR VISIONARY OFFICE USE ONLY	
Date received	
Staff member	
Database	<input type="checkbox"/>
Payment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments	