



General Membership Application

I wish to become a General Member of Barrow Farm Riding for the Disabled Ltd and my details are as follows:

Name: (Mr/Mrs/Miss)

Address:

Post Code: Phone Number:

Email Address:

Are you a Rider, an Employee, a Volunteer or Parent/Carer of a Rider?

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Please sign below to confirm you have read the information provided overleaf:

Signature: Date:

Please note that this application will be kept within the locked office on the premises and your personal details kept on the Register of Members held on the password protected computer within the office. Once you are no longer a member we will securely retain your data for up to 3 years. Please let us know if you do not wish to receive newsletters and other information about opportunities and events and how you can support us.

For office use only Date approved:

Membership of Barrow Farm RDA

The members of Barrow Farm RDA are the people that are formally appointed to support and influence the running of the charity and are entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The membership requirements of Barrow Farm Riding for the Disabled are set out in the Articles of Association and this splits the members into two groups.

Committee of Members

There is the elected Committee of Members responsible for running the charity which consists of up to 11 trustees who are appointed annually at the AGM. These include a Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and up to 8 elected committee members all of whom have voting rights. In addition to holding the AGM, the Committee will schedule at least four meetings a year to monitor the activities and finances of the charity and approve new initiatives and changes.

General Members

General members are individuals who have expressed an interest of actively furthering the objects of Barrow Farm RDA to provide disabled people with the means to ride or carriage drive at the level of their ability, choice and ambition. General membership applications are invited from volunteers, employees, riders, and riders' parents/carers who are entitled to vote at the AGM. There is no limit on the number of general members that can be appointed at any time, and they have the following rights and responsibilities.

1. To become a general member, individuals are requested to complete an application form that is then approved or rejected by the Committee of Members.
2. General members are invited to attend and vote at the AGM.
3. General members are not normally entitled to vote at the extraordinary general meetings of the Committee of Members. However, they can ask to attend if there are specific items being discussed.
4. Members can request an item is discussed at a general meeting or a special meeting is held providing this is supported by the lesser of 20 members or 10% of the membership which are entitled to vote at the meeting.
5. Members are entitled to inspect the books of account of the charity at a time and location to be determined by the Committee of Members.
6. In the event of the charity being wound up during the time that they are a member, every member undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the Company, for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Company contracted before the time at which they cease to be a Member and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up the same.
7. A Member may at any time resign his membership in writing addressed to the Secretary.
8. The Committee may at any time in its entire discretion terminate the membership of any Member provided that the Member or a representative of a corporate Member shall have the right to be heard by the Committee before a final decision is made.