

## **MEMBERSHIP RULES**

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- Membership of the Berkshire Gardens Trust (the "Trust") is subject to the Trust's articles of association, which may be inspected on the Trust's website <u>http://www.berks-gardenstrust.org.uk/governance/</u>
- 2. Application for membership should be made on the Trust's Membership Application Form and sent to the Membership Secretary at the above address.
- 3. The Trust's annual subscription fees are currently £12 for a single member, £20 for two people living at the same address, and £30 for corporate membership. Members will be given at least three months' notice of a change in the annual fees.
- 4. The Trust's membership year runs from 1<sup>st</sup> April. The annual subscription covers membership for the 12 months until the following 31<sup>st</sup> March.
- The initial subscription for those joining the Trust during the course of a membership year is not reduced. However, the initial subscription of those joining the Trust in January, February or March will cover the period until 31<sup>st</sup> March the following year.
- 6. Initial membership fee is payable to Berkshire Gardens Trust by cheque, cash, or by standing order instruction to the Member's bank. Renewal membership fees are preferably payable by standing order.
- 7. Subscription renewal notices will be issued by 1<sup>st</sup> March each year. Annual subscriptions are due within six months of the subscription renewal date (1<sup>st</sup> April).
- 8. Members wishing to resign may do so on 7 days' notice to the Membership Secretary at the above address. This will take effect at the end of the period at which the Member's current membership fee expires.
- 9. Members who do not renew their annual subscription, or who fail to pay their membership renewal fee within the specified period, will be deemed to have resigned their membership.
- 10. Members will be given due notice of general meetings of Members of the Trust, including the annual general meeting.
- 11. Members whose current membership year's subscription is unpaid may attend general meetings of Members, but are not entitled to vote.