

**GreenSpace East Midlands** is a voluntary sector organisation, formed by a consortium of strategic partners. It is linked to the national parks charity, GreenSpace.

GreenSpace East Midlands exists to enhance and promote the quality and sustainability of green spaces, consequently improving the quality of life for our communities, businesses and visitors in the region. Aims and objectives can be viewed on the website.

Membership benefits include:

#### **A Regional focus on issues relevant for the East Midlands**

- Enables participation in the promotion and influence of the regeneration and sustainable management of parks and green spaces across the region
- Strengthens the voice for parks and green spaces and the messages the forum conveys to our target audiences and key decision makers
- Enables links to the Green Flag Award Scheme and promotes benefits of scheme so increasing regional participation. Also providing opportunities to affect the future development of the scheme

#### **A strategic overview of Green Space provision and management nationally**

- The only organisation that is solely focused on parks and green spaces in the region
- Provides direct links to policy makers and influencing bodies such as DCLG.
- Provides advocacy and facilitates structured arguments to influence spending reviews and green space development
- Keeps members up to date with the latest sector news, initiatives and projects and provides direct access to conferences, open meetings, site visits and training events covering critical issues identified by members.

#### **Networking links with other professionals**

- Unites you with others to pool knowledge, network, share best practice, tackle difficult issues and develop effective solutions

- Provides information and research to promote and support the benefits of good quality parks and green spaces through cross cutting agendas and themes such as health, liveability, crime, accessibility, environment, education, culture, quality of life and regeneration.

### **Community consultation guidance**

- Provides all the benefits of community networking projects and creates the opportunity to develop regional community group forums and hold events
- Facilitates contact with other public, private and voluntary sector organisations to enable networking and information exchange
- Provides project case studies to enable organisations to address the needs and aspirations of the communities they serve, and assist in raising the standard of parks and green spaces across the region.

### **Locating and assessing funding streams**

- Provides access to funding information, to enable the opportunity for the formation of regional bids for national and European sources of funding to improve the standards of parks and green spaces across the region
- Eases resource constrictions on applying for grants and other funding streams.

### **National GreenSpace Membership**

GreenSpace East Midlands memberships automatically include membership of the national organisation GreenSpace and its associated benefits;

- One discounted place per organisation at GreenSpace conferences
- Main contact receives 10 issues of Green Places magazine.
- Main contact receives twelve issues of the e-mail newsletter The Bench per year
- Discounts on GreenSTAT subscription
- Discounts on organisational sign-up to IPGS, the Institute of Parks and Green Spaces
- Discounts on organisational sign-up to GreenSKILL

- The opportunity to influence the policy and direction of GreenSpace and vote at Annual General Meetings.

Membership will provide an independent wide-ranging resource base to assist in the local and regional delivery for all levels of green space provision and management. The experience and knowledge of professionals in the field will be available to draw down information, guidance and research that may otherwise take hours of searching and drafting.

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**If you are involved in any way in green space issues, membership of GreenSpace East Midlands is an essential.** Membership of GreenSpace East Midlands is open to local authorities and other organisations with green space related agendas.

**Local Authority Membership 2010/11** Local authority membership rates are based on population statistics.

**Non Local Authority Membership:** by negotiation (can include discussions about partnership contribution for a collaborative project.)

GreenSpace membership runs from 1st April to 31 March.

Membership is welcomed at any time of year. There is an option to show your commitment to the sector, helping to create a sustainable future for the forum by making a 3-year commitment.

### **How to become a member**

To join please complete the attached membership form, along with your purchase order number. For more information, please contact Sue Spencer, Memberships Administrator,  
T: 0118946 9069 E: [sues@green-space.org.uk](mailto:sues@green-space.org.uk) or Fax: 0118 946 9061



## Membership form 2011/12

### Over 300,000 residents

Please invoice my organisation for £3,000.00\*  
Purchase order number .....

### 250,000 to 300,000 residents

Please invoice my organisation for £2,500.00\*  
Purchase order number .....

### 200,000 to 250,000 residents

Please invoice my organisation for £2,000.00\*  
Purchase order number .....

### 150,000 to 200,000 residents

Please invoice my organisation for £1,250.00\*\*  
Purchase order number .....

### 100,000 to 150,000 residents

Please invoice my organisation for £1,000.00\*  
Purchase order number .....

### 80,000 to 100,000 residents

Please invoice my organisation for £750.00\*  
Purchase order number .....

### Under 80,000 residents

Please invoice my organisation for £500.00\*  
Purchase order number .....

### Non – Local Authority membership

Please invoice my organisation for £.....\* (needs to be agreed with the Forum Manager)  
Purchase order number.....

\* prices are exclusive of VAT

Please tick this box if you would like to commit to 3 years membership of GSEM and receive a 15% discount.\*\*

Please tick this box to receive an early bird discount of 5% before 30 April 2011.

(Please sign) ..... Date .....

Surname ..... Forename(s) .....

Job title ..... Company/organisation.....

Address ..... Postcode .....

Email ..... Telephone .....

Please return to us this form using one of the following methods:

**By post**

GreenSpace  
Caversham Court  
Church Road  
Caversham  
Reading  
Berks RG4 7AD

**By fax**

0118 946 9061

**By phone**

For more information about GreenSpace East Midlands, or to discuss membership in more detail, please contact us on 0118 946 9060

**Other payment methods:**

**By cheque**

Please make your cheque payable to: GreenSpace Forum Ltd East Midlands

**By BACS**

GreenSpace Banking Details:

Name of Bank:	Bank of Ireland
Address:	Level 10 1 Marsden Street Manchester M2 1HW
Account Name:	GreenSpace Forum Limited East Midlands
Account Number:	94135204
Sort Code:	30-14-74

Please include contact name and details of your Account Department

Surname .....Forename(s) .....  
Job title .....Company/organisation.....  
Address .....Postcode .....  
Email .....Telephone .....

\*\* The forum would like to encourage every organisation that enrolls in 2011/12 to consider the option of giving a commitment to being a member for three years. In return for which their fees will receive a discount of 15%. This generous discount is offered on the basis that the whole 3-years membership is paid in full by 30 June 2011. This commitment from you would provide a strong message of support which would be of great value in sustaining our business plan.