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active learning for
active citizenship



**to have a
voice and
act together**

The Take Part Network is a Community Interest Company developing a broad-based network of organisations and individuals committed to strengthening democracy and an independent civil society through the advancement of active learning for active citizenship.

Our vision

The TPN believes that active citizens

- Lie at the heart of democracy,
- help create a stronger and fairer civil and civic society,
- foster social justice and social solidarity.

The Network believes that every adult in the UK, regardless of their background, education or disadvantage should have access to information, skills and the support needed for inclusive and effective active citizenship.

Take Part is a recognized approach to empowering and engaging adults through informal and experiential learning in the community.

Take Part shares the community development values of empowerment, equality and social justice, carried out through working and learning together. We make visible our common commitment to empowering.

Delivering our vision

Our mission is to support a network of people and groups who are committed to strengthening civil society through the Take Part Approach.

We do this through

- enabling individuals, communities and organisations to implement the approach and sharing information across the network,
- influencing policy and decision-makers at all levels and across the party-political spectrum, so that they commit to and support resources for active learning for active citizenship and so make the Take Part vision a sustainable reality,
- working in partnership across sectors to sustain and develop the work, e.g. by producing new research evidence, and generating funding and resourcing for the work,
- undertaking and disseminating research on the impact of the Take Part approach.

Why you should join

By joining the Take Part Network as a member you are showing your support for active learning for active citizenship.

There are many benefits from being part of the Take Part Community, regardless of the extent of your active learning for active citizenship experience.

What we expect from you is:

- your commitment to active citizenship learning for adults (the Take Part approach),
- A willingness to share best practice for the advancement of the Take Part approach,
- A keenness for collaborative working to enable sustainable community engagement.

What we offer

Full Membership for organisations

This will give Voluntary, Community and other Third Sector and Public sector organisations access to:

- Free information and resources on how to implement Take Part in your area (e.g. learning materials and research findings),
- Training on the Take Part approach, in your region,
- A quarterly newsletter,
- A voice and an advocacy role to keep this area of work in front of policy makers and funders,
- Show-casing your organisation in the form of case studies, Take Part magazine, and at regional, national and international events,
- A forum for discussion and exchange and partnership working,
- Be part of Take Part Network AGM.

Membership for individuals

We offer associate membership to individuals such as community workers, tutors, and all those who want to support and deliver Take Part. Membership offers:

- Training on the Take Part approach at reduced rates,
- Information and advice on Continuing Professional Development and qualifications,
- Opportunities to undertake paid work through the TPN,
- Invitations to participate in or run workshops at targeted events,
- Access to resources on TP learning,
- A forum for discussion and exchange,
- Participation in partnership initiatives, e.g. funding and research.

How to join

Visit our website www.takepartnetwork.org and download an application form.

Alternatively please contact us info@takepart.org and request an application form.