

Become a member

Get your voice heard

Make a difference

MEMBERSHIP



WHAT IT MEANS FOR YOU

WE'RE ALWAYS LISTENING TO YOU

At Soha Housing we have always taken great pride in how we work together. Residents, staff and Board consistently work with each other to make sure Soha delivers great services and plans jointly for the future.

We have lots of ways for all residents to get involved in your communities and with Soha. To find out more email ri@soha.co.uk or call us on 01235 515 900.

MORE WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

As part of our commitment to working with residents and communities Soha Housing has now become a mutual organisation. This is a new ownership structure that enables a tenant, shared owner or leaseholder to become a shareholding member (member). Basically, this shifts the ownership of Soha to members. This means that when you become a member you own a share of a £38m a year business and get a vote as a shareholder at our Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Becoming a member gives you another way to have a real voice in both your local community and Soha. This is alongside all the other ways you can get involved.



YOUR COMMITMENT

- Members pay £1. You do not carry any risk if something goes wrong.
- Members must sign up to Soha's purpose and values.
- Get involved as much or as little as you like. You can make a difference whatever commitment you are able to give.

WHAT MEMBERSHIP MEANS FOR YOU

Another way to get your voice heard

Membership means you can hold the Board accountable as a member to:

- Make sure Soha delivers its plans and lives its values.
- Have a say on Soha's priorities for community involvement (Community Empowerment Strategy).
- Have a vote on major organisational changes e.g. if Soha plans to merge with another housing association or wants to make changes to the membership offer.
- Approve Soha's Accounts, Annual Reports, Board appointments.
- Have a say in how Soha spends money and delivers services.
- Hold the Board accountable - You get to ask the Board what they have done for you and ensure transparency.

**Shape the future
Get involved
Influence decisions**

Member benefits

- Exclusive membership offers, draws and events.
- Welcome pack including membership card, pen and badge.
- Meet new and interesting people from your local community.
- Have a vote on major organisational changes.
- Take ownership of Soha's purpose and values.
- Dedicated membership newsletter and surveys.
- Own a share of a £38m a year business.

WHAT MEMBERS SAY...

I want to play a role in developing and shaping the future of Soha, to continue to make my community a great place to live.

It gives you a chance to ask questions about how things are done within Soha and where you live.

Because I love being involved

I would like to keep up to date with Soha's business as being a tenant I feel that input from a Soha tenant is vital to the ongoing progression of the association.

I'd like a say in how Soha is run and also the prizes look good!

It is nice to be part of something.



WANT TO GET INVOLVED AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Please complete and return to **FREEPOST SOHA HOUSING** (no stamp required)

(Choose an option)

Please send me the application form to become a member.

OR

I don't want to become a member but would like information on other ways to get involved.

Name.....

Address.....

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Post Code.....

Phone.....

Email.....

I am a... Tenant Leaseholder Shared Owner

For more information:

www.soha.co.uk/membership - ri@soha.co.uk **Freephone:** 0800 014 15 45