

Application Form to become a member of the Aveley & Kenningtons Community Forum

(To join the Forum, known as Aveley & Kenningtons Community Forum, you need to either be a resident or work in Aveley & Kenningtons)

Aims and Objectives

Aveley & Kenningtons Community Forum is established to represent all those with an interest in the Aveley & Kenningtons area. By working in partnership with all relevant interest groups, voluntary organisations, government departments, statutory authorities and individuals, the Aveley & Kenningtons Community Forum seeks to provide for the improvement in the local environs for an involved and valued community.

The group shall be non-political and non-sectarian.

Aveley & Kenningtons Community Forum will:

Provide an additional route for those in Aveley & Kenningtons to raise concerns and issues on local matters and communicate these to Thurrock Council and partners.

Strengthen local community networks and develop constructive and effective partnerships between local people and organisations and the Council.

Aim to provide information to residents, businesses, groups and interested parties within the local area, work towards developing a community spirit, and hold local events that will bring the community together.

Achieve funding for local initiatives from Thurrock Council and from other relevant bodies/organisations as appropriate. Improve the general environment and amenities of Aveley & Kenningtons and to represent Aveley & Kenningtons in other matters of concern.

Promote the welfare, leisure and recreation of the local community.

Liaise with Thurrock Council, Police and other bodies to achieve these aims.

I confirm that I agree, both in letter and spirit, to the aims and objectives as set out above.

Signed: Print Name:

Address: Post Code:

Date:

Members shall always conduct themselves in a manner acceptable to the Aveley & Kenningtons Community Forum when attending meetings or any function in connection with the Forum. In particular; all members shall abide by the aims and objectives as set out above. Failure to meet the required standards will result in exclusion of membership of the Forum.

All members should express a declaration of interest on financial matters or any other vested interest. This should be declared at the start of any relevant meeting, and all such members shall abstain from voting.

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To join the Forum's information loop and receive communications from the Forum, and information from the Council and partners please complete the following:

Name: *(Please print)* **Date:**

Email address:

Contact Number: *(Optional)*

Your Street Name/Area:
(Optional – this will help us assess our coverage)

To help promote the Forum we may take pictures at meetings and events.

Please let us know if you give your consent to appear in a picture:	Yes	No
Would you be willing to help the Forum by helping to deliver their leaflets	Yes	No
Deliver to just my road	Yes	No
Deliver to the wider community	Yes	No

Your data will not be shared with third parties for any reason without prior consent and, if at any time you wish to unsubscribe, just send an email with subject heading of UNSUBSCRIBE to chair@aveleyandkenningtonscf.org.uk

Code of Conduct at Forum Meetings

- All persons shall be open and honest in their dealings and show respect for others
- All speakers will address themselves through the Chair
- Only one person shall speak at a time
- All speakers shall be polite and not raise their voices
- All speakers shall respect all others in attendance and shall not use offensive language
- The Forum observes equal opportunities and respects diversity of all community members. Discriminatory language will not be acceptable or tolerated so please do not air personal views that are likely to offend
- All speakers will keep to the subject under discussion
- Each person may speak only once on an issue until every other person has had the opportunity to speak thereby accounting for all opinions
- All persons shall abide by the decisions taken at meetings
- If any person does not abide by the Code of Conduct a warning will be given. Should they break the Code of Conduct again they will be asked to leave
- In the event of there being a conflict of interest (or potential conflict of interest) this must be disclosed to the meeting and if necessary, the person who has disclosed the conflict, (or potential conflict), whether financial or non-financial, shall absent themselves from the meeting whilst the subject is under discussion. Political references shall be avoided

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