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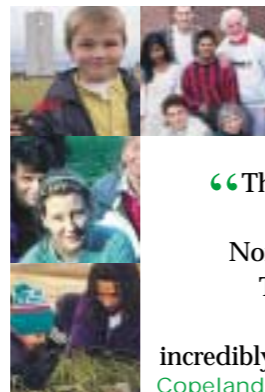
“CREW has built up a good tool supply over the years, but we've always relied on our local BTCV office to loan us anything unusual and to hire out their minibus to us at a very reasonable rate.”

Clyde Region Environmental Workers (CREW), Scotland

“We're delighted to be associated to BTCV.

We find publications such as the Conserver both useful and interesting, whilst the BTCV insurance scheme is an excellent package – exactly what we need!”

Whitfield Valley Wildlife and Conservation Group Volunteers, Stoke-on-Trent

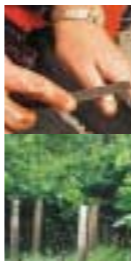


“The support given to our group by staff at Conservation Volunteers Northern Ireland has been fantastic. They've helped us solve so many problems and have always been incredibly enthusiastic about our work.”

Copeland Bird Observatory, County Down

“We work with over 55 Rivercare Groups in Wales, which are all associated to BTCV. We've established an excellent working relationship with local BTCV staff and our groups benefit from access to insurance and on-the-job practical conservation training.”

Keep Wales Tidy



BTCV works throughout England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland and around the world to bring about practical environmental change.

Each year, 130,000 volunteers of all ages and backgrounds – people just like the members of your community group – give some of their time to take part in BTCV's practical conservation work.



BTCV Scotland

Conservation Volunteers Northern Ireland

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BTCV England



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INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

For information about how BTCV can help your group or about BTCV's activities across the UK and around the world call

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ASSOCIATION

# BTCV Community Network

supporting your local community group



INSPIRING PEOPLE, IMPROVING PLACES

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Across the UK communities are working together to achieve their vision of a better environment, both for people and for wildlife.

In many cases they are being given a helping hand by BTCV, the UK's largest practical conservation charity.

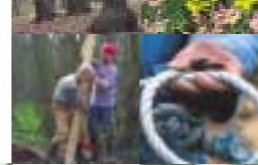
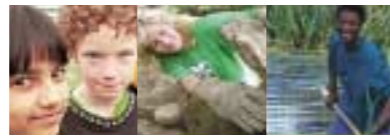
This leaflet explains how BTCV can help your group to achieve positive environmental change throughout our towns, cities and countryside.

Associate Membership of the BTCV Community Network is open to all groups who want to work for a better environment, including:

- conservation/environment groups
- school groups
- recycling and waste minimisation groups
- tenants' and residents' associations
- university and college groups
- youth organisations

Whether your group is newly formed or well established, you are eligible to join the scheme, provided that you have a minimum of six enthusiastic volunteers.

Whatever your interest and aspirations, BTCV will offer you the support you need to make your activities safe, effective and enjoyable. All you need to do is to fill out the form opposite and return it to BTCV with a cheque to cover the costs of your subscription.



## Benefits of becoming a BTCV Associated Group

For just £30 a year, Associate Membership of the BTCV Community Network offers a wide range of benefits to help your community group have an even greater impact on the local environment.

- **Free welcome pack**  
This pack contains everything you need to get started. Includes either *Local Action* (normally £9.99) – the definitive guide for all community groups organising practical conservation activities or *Practical Conservation: advice for teachers* – aimed at those who organise school-based groups.
- **Grants and awards fact sheet**  
BTCV's essential guide to grant and award availability to help you raise funds.
- **Access to start-up and support grants from the Chestnut Fund**  
These grants, which are administered by BTCV on behalf of the Chestnut Fund, (an independent charity), aim to encourage groups to carry out conservation activities. Groups have access to grants of up to £300, subject to availability.
- **Expert advice**  
We can put you in touch with one of our key volunteers who is a recognised expert in charity registration and group constitutions (which may be necessary steps to qualify for funding, for example).
- **Subsidised places** on BTCV training courses.
- **Directory of Associated Groups**  
Free, optional listing in our online directory. This allows volunteers, clients, the media and other groups to contact you easily.
- **Local support**  
Our extensive network of BTCV offices around the UK can offer you support. Specialist advice is available from the BTCV Community Unit in Doncaster.
- **Discounts**  
Discounts are available on BTCV products and merchandise from our range of tools, trees, wildflowers and conservation publications, including a special Charity Registration Pack for groups in England and Wales.
- **Access to BTCV insurance**  
It is essential for all Associated Groups to hold public liability insurance cover. We pride ourselves on our competitive insurance packages covering the public, volunteers, tools and equipment. The policy is offered in partnership with Zurich Municipal. For more information about BTCV Insurance, please call 01302 572236 or download an insurance application form from the BTCV Online shop [www.btcv.org/shop](http://www.btcv.org/shop).

## Application to become a BTCV Associated Group

Please fill in this form, detach along the dotted line and put it in the post with your cheque and application for BTCV insurance (if applicable) to:

**BTCV, FREEPOST (DC780), Conservation Centre,  
163 Balby Road, Doncaster DN4 0BR**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

### GROUP CONTACT DETAILS

Group name \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
County/borough \_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone (day) \_\_\_\_\_  
(eve) \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Named contact for the group \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Group website \_\_\_\_\_

In which county, borough or city will the group work? \_\_\_\_\_

How many volunteers are in your group?  
(for school groups this includes pupils) \_\_\_\_\_

Age range of pupils in school groups \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your choice of publication:

Local Action  Practical Conservation: advice for teachers  
(this will be sent to you as part of your Welcome Pack)

### PAYMENT

Annual membership fee: £30

Please enclose a cheque made payable to BTCV. Please sign the statement below:

I can confirm that the above group is non-political and will be undertaking practical environmental activities

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

We would like to include your group's contact details in the community group section of the BTCV website and in our National Directory of Associated Groups. If you would prefer us not to use your group's details in this way, please tick the box.

From time to time we may send you marketing information from other companies, whose products may be of interest to you. If you would prefer not to receive such information, please tick this box.