



WORTHING

BUSINESS CIRCLE

Building relationships

Building business.

Building the community.

WHO ARE WE?

- A group of local business people who meet weekly for breakfast and have been established in the town for over six years.
- A group of up to 40 local businesses – with only one business per category.
- Managed by a committee of our members who are elected each year during our AGM.

WHERE DO WE MEET?

- We meet Wednesday mornings for breakfast at Hill Barn Golf Club in Worthing.
- Easy and free parking for everybody.
- Close to town and next to the A27 to enable our members to get into work easier.

WHEN DO WE MEET?

- We start our Wednesday mornings at 7 am and officially finish by 8.45 am.
- Once each quarter we replace a breakfast meeting with an evening social networking event starting around 18.30 pm.

WHAT DO WE DO?

- Network in a relaxed and informal environment – no hard sell.
- Build relationships and trust between members to generate business referrals.
- Exchange ideas, offer mutual support, encouragement and challenge.
- Extend our network through our own website www.worthingbusinesscircle.co.uk

HOW TO CONTACT US?

- If you would like to join us as a guest at one of our meetings, please contact us (see below).
- Breakfast will cost you £10.00 payable on the door.
- Contact us by email: admin@worthingbusinesscircle.co.uk

Speak to any of our members that you may know. Listing available at www.worthingbusinesscircle.co.uk



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Worthing Business Circle exists to build business, build community and build relationships in and around Worthing. It thrives on the enthusiasm and commitment of its members.

This application form is a vital part to the Application Process that is outlined below:

❖ **Membership Application Process and Fees**

1. A Prospective Member must attend two initial meetings as a visitor before submitting an application form to the committee.
2. The Prospective Member must have a sponsoring member countersign the application.
3. The Prospective Member must submit a completed application form with the completed standing order mandate to the Membership Co-ordinator to present to the WBC Committee.
4. The WBC Committee completes the screening process and notifies the Prospective Member of acceptance or non-acceptance before the next meeting.
5. The WBC Chairperson will announce successful applicants as new members of WBC at the next Worthing Business Circle meeting.

This Application Form is to be completed by the Prospective Applicant and submitted to the Membership Co-ordinator, by all **NEW MEMBERS**, whenever an existing member proposes to **TRANSFER MEMBERSHIP** to a colleague in their business or an existing member seeks to **CHANGE THEIR BUSINESS CATEGORY**.

❖ **Personal Information**

Last name :
First name :
DoB :
Home Address :
Postcode :
Home Phone :
Mobile Phone :

❖ **Business Information**

Business Address :
Postcode :
Business Phone :
Business Fax :
Web address :
Email address :

❖ **Business Category**

Describe your product or service (be specific):

How long have you been trading?

How many employees do you have?

Sponsor's name: (existing WBC member)

❖ **Other Connections**

What other networking groups are you involved in (e.g. lunch clubs, social clubs, The Best Of, Enetwork groups etc)

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What voluntary organisations/clubs are you involved with?

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What are your interests outside of work and business?

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Describe yourself in 5 words:

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What skills could you bring to Worthing Business Circle? (i.e. training, administration, financial skills)

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❖ **Membership Pledge**

I commit to:-

- 1. *Attending each weekly meeting*, to arrive from 7.15 for 7.30 and to stay until 8.30am: Yes
- 2. *Finding a substitute*, wherever possible, who can attend meetings on my behalf: Yes
- 3. *Providing an apology* if I am unable to attend a particular meeting: Yes
- 4. *Supporting WBC social events* in order to help build relationships: Yes
- 5. *Endeavouring to resolve* any potential disputes with a fellow WBC member directly with the member in the first instance, and then with the assistance of a WBC Committee member: Yes
- 6. *Accepting sole personal responsibility and liability* for any agreement or representation that I purport to make on behalf of WBC without the prior written approval of WBC Committee: Yes

I am pleased to make the above commitment to WBC members

SIGNED **DATE:**

- New Member
- Renewal of Membership

Monthly Membership and Breakfast Fee: £45.00 pm by Standing Order mandate

WBC Committee: Simon Lovering, Debbie Talmage, Ian Macara, Jo-Anne Haulkham, Graham Vaughan, Claire Love