



# THE RAMSGATE SOCIETY

## MEMBERSHIP FORM



The Ramsgate Society is dedicated to helping make Ramsgate a better town in which to live, work and to seek leisure.

### The Ramsgate Society

The Society was formed on the 21st July 1964 by a dedicated band of Ramsgatonians, whose initial project was a campaign to save the historic Townley House in Chatham Street and Queens Court off Queen Street from demolition.

This subsequently became a success story, and since that time there have been many more campaigns – not always successful, of course, but all with the expressed objectives of the Society in mind.

Overleaf are listed some of the benefits of becoming a member of The Society. There are also, thankfully, numerous members who consider their main satisfaction is derived from contributing to its work – thus discovering that ‘the more that one puts in, the more it is possible to get out!’

Registered Charity  
No. 1138809

If you have any special skills and are willing to use them to assist, or, if you have a general interest in helping in any way, do make this clear on your application.

You will enjoy getting involved.

Ramsgate has a long history and a rich heritage. From a hamlet in the parish of St Laurence, and a humble fishing village, it developed as a port with a fine harbour – originally built a harbour of refuge. It became a garrison town during the Napoleonic Wars (largely because of the harbour); the harbour was bestowed its ‘Royal’ status in 1821; important architectural developments took place during the Regency years; and in the 19th century Victorian period, Pugin and his family contributed to their Gothic style to the towns development.

The Ramsgate Society believes such a heritage must be protected and preserved.

*“If there should be no human being that you can love enough, love the town in which you dwell... I love Paris and London though I am a child of the pinewoods and of the beach at Ramsgate.”*

Vincent van Gogh  
in a letter to his brother, Theo  
– Autumn, 1876



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## Member Benefits

Each year, you will receive:-

Four issues of The Society magazine, '**About Ramsgate**'

A publication packed full of items, including:-

- Ramsgate Society News and Activities, Civic and General Information on the history of the town; and current events.
- Keeping a watchful eye on and reporting on the fine buildings in the town –

### Members can also attend:

- A programme of Society meetings held once a month, from September to May – which include interesting talks and slideshows. Members attend free, visitors' fee is £2. Subjects, times and venue advised in a programme issued annually.
- Social events and outings

THE RAMSGATE SOCIETY ALSO PUBLISHES THE 'RAMSGATE TOWN TRAIL' GUIDE

## Subscriptions

### Single Membership:- £8 per year

New Members:- will be required to pay £8, which will cover membership from the date of joining to the next annual renewal date. If joining on, or after the 1st January, your subscription will cover until April of the following year.

### Joint Membership:-

Joint membership for couples is available at £12 p/a.

### Overseas Membership:-

Applicants residing outside of the EU will pay an annual subscription of £10 per person.

Life Membership £100

### Junior & Life Memberships:-

Junior: £3 p/a

Life (Single): £80

Life (Joint): £120

### Renewal Subscriptions:

All renewals become due on 1st April annually.

(prompt renewal is always appreciated!)



Please print, complete and return

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### Membership Application Form

I/We would like to join  
The Ramsgate Society

I/We enclose a total remittance of

£  for my/our subscription(s).

Payment can also be made by standing order

Sort Code : 60-17-17  
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Interests:-  
Clerical/Secretarial/Computer/Accountancy/Committee work/Social/Research/  
Planning/Fundraising/Other (please state)

#### Other Interests

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I/We will be pleased to assist the Society  
YES/NO

Please make cheques payable to:

**The Ramsgate Society**  
And send with this form to:-  
Hon. Treasurer  
Miss J Smith  
Mayfold, Park Road,  
Ramsgate, Kent, CT11 7QH

