The Big Apple Association Ltd.

Registered office: Woodcroft, Putley, Ledbury, HR8 2RD

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM (INDIVIDUAL)

The Big Apple Association Limited (the Society) is a Community Benefit Society registered with the Financial Conduct Authority under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 (the Act).

The Board of Directors may at its discretion admit to membership any individual, corporate body or nominee of an unincorporated body, firm or partnership who supports the objects of the Society and who has paid or agreed to pay any subscription or other sum due in respect of membership for the time being in force.

Prospective members must have attained the age of 16 and support the objects of the Society.

Our Objects are "to carry on any business for the benefit of the community by organising events with a celebratory, promotional and educational purpose that focus on local orchards, apples and pears, cider and perry."

Our Aims, which form the secondary rules of the Society, are to:

- promote interest in and celebrate all aspects of English apples, pears, cider, perry and orchards;
- encourage visitors and local residents to understand and enjoy the rural heritage of the Marcle Ridge parishes in all their diversity;
- offer the opportunity to local community organisations to raise money through activities associated with the Big Apple Association Ltd;
- encourage steps to conserve the orchard landscape in the Marcle Ridge parishes and to maintain the diversity of varieties grown.

The Rules of the Big Apple Association Ltd can be found at https://www.bigapple.org.uk/community-benefit-society/

Shareholding

Members must also be shareholders of the Society. Shares have a nominal value of £1 and are issued upon admission to membership. The shares are neither transferable nor withdrawable, carry no right to interest, dividend or bonus, and shall be forfeited and cancelled on cessation of membership. The amount paid for such cancelled shares shall become the property of the Society. Each Member can hold one share only.

Members are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Big Apple Association Ltd in person or appoint a proxy to vote at the meeting. The AGM is held each March in one of the Marcle Ridge parishes, to the west of Ledbury in Herefordshire.

Big Apple Association Membership Application   Please PRINT CLEARLY

FIRST NAME(S) ....

FAMILY NAME ....

ADDRESS ....

.... POSTCODE.......................

TELEPHONE NUMBER: ....

E-MAIL: ....

I wish to apply for membership of The Big Apple Association Ltd. I confirm that I support the objects of the Society and will abide by the governing document of the Society and have attained the age of 16. ☐

I wish to apply for One Share in the Society. ☐

Please tell us about your reasons for applying to become a member of the Big Apple Association Ltd Community Benefit Society. This will assist the Directors in considering your application.

Have you attended one of our Blossomtime or Harvestime events?   YES/NO

Have you entered our Big Apple Cider and Perry Trials?   YES/NO

Have you volunteered at a Blossomtime or Harvestime event?   YES/NO

Are you familiar with the Marcle Ridge parishes or the general neighbourhood?   YES/NO

Do you have an interest in apples, orchards or cider or perry making?   YES/NO

Any other reason?

Do we have your permission to send you occasional emails with information about the Society?   YES/NO

Signature   Date:

Please pay £1.00 by BACS; Account No. 65997462, Sort Code 089299 or by cheque (payable to The Big Apple Association Ltd.) or by cash if paying in person.

Do keep the Society informed of any change to your contact details to enable the Society to maintain statutory registers.

Send the completed form to The Big Apple Association Ltd, Woodcroft, Putley, Ledbury, HR8 2RD.

Should your application be declined for any reason, then any subscription paid will be refunded in full.

***DATA PROTECTION:** Under the terms of the Act a Register of Members must be maintained and available for inspection. The information contained on this form will be held on a secure database. It will not be passed to any third party without your written consent.*

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