

The 'Community Hub' is available to all KeyRing Members for 3 hours each week.

The hub brings people together socially where interests, skills and knowledge can be shared.

Linked in Members also have access here to KeyRing staff and volunteers to get support with any individual presenting issues.

There are also information sessions available on a range of topics decided by the membership. For example:

- cooking skills
- healthy lifestyles
- finance & budgeting
- community & environmental issues
- personal & neighbourhood safety
- advocacy
- hobbies & interests

Eligibility:

People eligible to receive the service are those who:



- Are identified as being a 'vulnerable adult'
- Are 18 or older. However a referral can be made for someone who is 16/17 and it will be considered by KeyRing on a risk basis.
- In order to get the most out of a KeyRing membership, you must be keen to get involved.

Access:

There is an open referral route to the service.

If you or someone you know would benefit from KeyRing's support please get in touch.

- Require support to achieve or sustain independent accommodation.
- Require support to address factors of social isolation which impact on their ability to achieve or sustain independent accommodation.

For more information:

Contact Tracy Hall at tracy.hall@keyring.org or on 07977 412 991 www.keyring.org

- Do you feel isolated?
- Do you need support with living independently?
- Would you like some support to enjoy social activities in your area?
- Would you like to give something back to your community?

So much more than floating support

KeyRing Support Options in Darlington

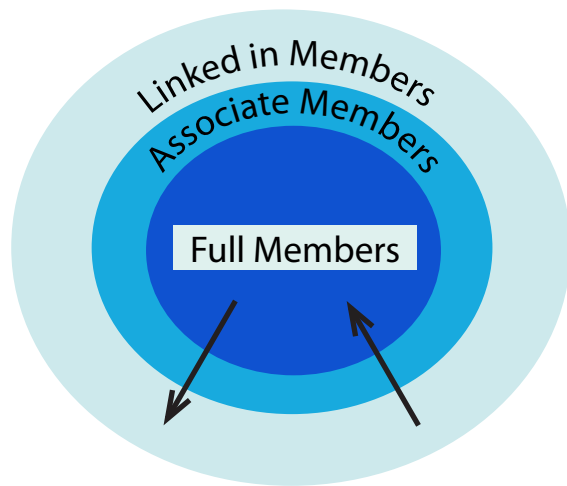


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The KeyRing Network in Darlington has been re-modelled to account for the changing needs of the community it serves.

The new service from July 2014 onwards is available across the whole of Darlington and offers a new 'linked in membership' option in addition to the well established full and associate membership offers.

This provides the opportunity for more people to benefit from and contribute to a range of support options and social activities.

The service is designed to:

- Meet the housing and support needs of socially excluded, vulnerable people in Darlington.
- Enable Members to achieve and maintain independent living.

The service seeks to ensure the availability of a diversity of support, which is responsive to the needs of hard to reach groups.

Key aims are:

- The prevention of social exclusion/isolation and homelessness in vulnerable households.
- The development of the skills and community links needed to build successful lives.
- Access to better health care, education and employment.

Support is delivered in a flexible and responsive manner. The membership option accessed will be regularly reviewed and is open to change depending on the increased or decreased needs of the member.

Full Membership is medium to long term.

The focus of this work is to support with tenancy rescue or the setting up of a tenancy. Also to support where there is a need to develop an individual's ability to maintain their independence.



Support is delivered through a number of 1:1 support sessions each week with full access to the community hub and out of hours telephone service.

Associate Membership is medium to long term.



The focus of this work is to sustain the individual's ability to maintain their independence, including addressing factors relating to social isolation.

Support is delivered through one 1:1 support session each week with full access to the community hub and out of hours telephone service.

Linked in Membership is medium to short term.

The focus of this work is realisation of the skills and knowledge of Members to support one another (peer support) and to minimise the impact of social isolation. Support is also available to address any presenting issues which threatens the continuation of an individual's independence.

Support is delivered through the community hub and out of hours telephone service.

