

Membership of the JCPF charity



Membership is open to any member of the public who is prepared to support our charitable objectives and agree to the rulings that govern membership. Your personal information will be recorded to a secure database and will not be passed on to any enquirer, organisation or business without your consent.

What are the advantages of being a member?

To start with you can begin your membership when you choose –so no need, for example, to start before the course you want to do starts! The first 4 months of membership is FREE and as a Patron member you will pay discounted course fees. After the free period has elapsed the cost monthly is £1.25 paid annually.

After your free period has elapsed if you are a practising therapist, medium or reader you can advertise on our websites for FREE. The JCPF has been in continuous operation since 1967 providing services and training; its members are a helpful bunch of people –need isn't always satisfied by a psychic reading or a therapy, so behind the scenes we do help people with their problems and providing advice. Socially speaking we make it possible for like minded people to talk with one another –doesn't sound like a lot, but in this day and age, who you know is much more important than what you know.

One year as a Patron member automatically qualifies you to be considered as a Full member – which gives you even more discount on course fees. And if you have healing interests and start to train as a psychic & spiritual healer and when you qualify you will be able to get public liability insurance at very reasonable rates, because the charity is linked to a national healing body and insurance provider.

Above all the advantage of being a JCPF member is the benefit of follow on courses and training events –the quality of which has been nationally noted. You the member can add to that skill base and ensure we continue to provide psychic & spiritual services in the years to come.

For your application to join the JCPF membership you should read the following extracts from the charity's constitution and rules.

Charity registration number 275018

The name of the Foundation is "Joseph Carey Psychic Foundation"

Ethos of the JCPF charity

The JCPF as a religious charity neither holds nor promotes a corporate philosophical belief –members are entitled to interpret Spiritualism in accordance with their own psychic and spiritual revelation provided such interpretation is based upon 'an acceptance of an afterlife and the ability of Man to have communication with it and recognition of a universal power beyond all'. The ethos of membership is the pursuance and practise of loving harmonic relationships with fellow Man through service in acknowledgement of the universal power of Love.

The objects of the JCPF are the basis of definition to provide charitable services. The Foundation is registered as a religious charity –at the time of doing this in the late sixties no other option was open to us, whereas today it could be registered under a social service heading, however being a religious charity has never restricted our ability to provide the services that members and patrons have wanted of us. In practise since the early 70's the interpretation of these objectives are as follows:

a. 'The promotion and advancement of the religious philosophy and psychic science of Spiritualism.'

1. The orthodoxy of modern Spiritualism as it may be described in principle by the Spiritualist National Union or the Greater World Christian Spiritualist church has never been the guidance of belief or practise in the JCPF. The central tenet of Modern Spiritualism, namely an acceptance of an afterlife and the ability of Man to have communication with it and recognition of a universal power beyond all is accepted as the basis our interpretation. The charity's philosophy has been developed upon the teachings of Joseph Carey, his mediumistic instrument (our founder) Len Burden and his principal pupil, Tony Ashenden. Philosophy and Psychic Science continue to be developed by successive teachers across the range of our services holding true to the initial interpretation.

b. 'To hold religious services for public worship and the teaching of spiritual and religious truth.'

2. The second objective advises that the nature of all our services are promoted to express our religious truths as described in the first objective. 'Worship' and 'teaching' are not necessarily different from one another. Providing Sunday type of services and Mediumistic demonstration events similar to orthodox Spiritualism can be described as 'Worship', whilst course programmes and workshop events as 'teaching' –however in practise they don't discriminate but complement one another.

c. 'The promotion and advancement of psychic and spiritual healing for the benefit of the public.'

3. The third objective specifically identifies with the main thrust of our religious interpretation –namely that a healing benefit should be established in practise to reflect our ideals. 'Promotion' is the provision of healing services and 'advancement' is by way of increasing them and teaching others to heal. 'Psychic' meaning soul by definition is any practise that promotes a health benefit in accordance with our philosophy. 'Spiritual' means of the higher nature by definition and in practise is description given to healing that accords to healing standards agreed nationally using that word in definition.

d. 'To encourage psychic research and to actively support the integration of material and metaphysical sciences, and to disseminate the results of such research.'

4. The fourth objective is in recognition of the need to question and facilitate enquiry as taught by Joseph Carey. 'Encourage' means to promote discussion on fundamental belief issues. 'Actively support' means to provide services as required to facilitate that enquiry, and 'disseminate' means to allow objective analysis of any research supported by the charity. Membership groups have been set up to meet research needs in the past and will be in the future when the demand is present –otherwise this objective is committed as an encouragement to members generally to question and evaluate their understanding of psychic & spiritual communications.

The TYPES OF SERVICES that can be provided by the charity in accordance with the interpretation of its objectives are as follows:

Spiritual Healing public and tuition services –as defined by our own proven expertise in this subject area and to healing standards agreed in association with the British Alliance of Healing Associations (BAHA).

Psychic healing tuition services –these can be teaching events or member only events in which an approach to healing can be taught and practised that accord with our religious philosophy. Spiritual healing teaching and practise as a service to the general public is governed by the healing standards accepted by our association with BAHA. The JCPF only provides spiritual healing to the public, as providing psychic healing as well would be a conflict of interest that could cause confusion to both healers and public patrons.

Spiritualist Services conforming to the type that are provided by Modern Spiritualist churches; including mediumistic and healing demonstration events for public awareness that can be promoted at fayre and public venues.

Mediumistic and Psychic sense development services that teach and allow the 'channelling' of psychic experience and guidance from spirit guides. This includes a provision for mediumistic services to the public including their promotion at fayres and public venues.

Psychic science teaching services –these include the provision of divinatory tuition e.g. Astrology and Tarot and the provision of these 'reading' services to the public including their promotion at fayres and public venues.

Research activity services –these are defined by our membership from time to time the results of which may be made public.

Other services that conform to our objectives can include fund raising to promote our activities, publications that conform to our philosophy and sponsorships that promote the JCPF.

JCPF Patron Membership:

Qualifications

1. A person applying for Patron membership should be interested in JCPF activities and supportive of the aims and objectives of the JCPF charity. Young Persons between the ages of (14-16) may also be patron members with their parents or guardians permission.

Obligations

1. Once granted, PATRON Membership is renewable on a yearly basis on the last day of March. The yearly registration fee is determined by the Committee of the Foundation and falls due one month prior to renewal date. Fees will be paid in one sum, however if there are circumstances that prevent this and are acceptable to the Members Secretary, fees may be paid in two six month instalments.
2. PATRON Membership will lapse if the Membership registration fee is not fully paid by the due date, and all rights and entitlements are withdrawn. PATRON Members who have allowed their Membership to lapse will be advised that they may apply to rejoin the Membership. The Members Secretary may accept applications to rejoin the Membership up to three months after due date following the lapsed date without reference to Committee, however applications to rejoin after this date may only be ratified by Committee.
3. A PATRON Member is bound by the rulings of Committee concerning the payment of fees.
4. All Patron members who are also JCPF Healers must pay for their annual healing insurance and BAHA levy to remain a practising JCPF Healer member.
5. The JCPF PATRON Member must declare on application for JCPF Healer membership any convictions by law, excluding minor driving offences that may be considered a detriment to their practise as a Spiritual Healer.
6. Where a J.C.P.F PATRON Member is also a J.C.P.F Healing Member and a member of a J.C.P.F Spiritual Healing Group they are bound by the J.C.P.F. Spiritual Healing Group and Practise definitions as defined by Central Committee.
7. The PATRON Member must not advise themselves as official representative of the Foundation unless they are a bona fide Member of Committee or have been sanctioned by the Committee so to do.
8. The PATRON Member must recognise the Group Principal or Teacher as the authority of the activity to which they are enrolled or are attending.
9. Group Principals and Teachers are empowered to refuse entry to their activity of a PATRON Member if they consider that the Member's inclusion to their activity is to the detriment of other STUDENTS, or if they feel guided to refuse entry in the interests of psychic and spiritual harmony
10. A PATRON member may have their membership suspended if the JCPF Officers and Trustees by majority vote consider their behaviour and actions prejudicial to the ethos of JCPF membership as stated in the JCPF Foundation Directive 002 'JCPF Definition of Services' and or in contravention of membership obligations. The PATRON Member will be notified by letter that their membership is suspended; the reasons for their suspension and that the outcome of any investigation and review by the said officers, subject to review and approval of the JCPF Central Committee, shall be advised the PATRON member provided membership has not lapsed and application for membership renewal is pending. The PATRON member suspended shall be entitled to represent their views either in writing or in person to the said officers and such views will be taken into account before recommendation of action to the JCPF Central Committee.
11. PATRON Members are expected to represent the J.C.P.F. fairly in communications with other MEMBERS OF THE J.C.P.F AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.
12. A PATRON Member may only be expelled or refused renewal of Membership by a majority vote of the Central Committee. A letter shall be the official notification to the Member and signed by the JCPF Members Secretary.

Rights and Entitlements

1. On application and acceptance as a JCPF PATRON member, 4 months of FREE membership is granted
2. A JCPF PATRON Member is eligible to be a member of Central committee.
3. A JCPF PATRON Member on payment of Healer Insurance shall be covered for Personal and Public Liability Insurance for Spiritual Healing.
4. A JCPF PATRON Member is entitled to one full vote at General Meetings of the Foundation.
5. A PATRON Member is entitled to bring proposal to Committee and General Meetings provided it conforms to the business to be considered thereat, and is seconded by a full or PATRON member

6. JCPF PATRON Membership entitles the Member to apply to any JCPF Group Principal and Teacher for enrolment to any activity advised to the Calendar of Events that is open to PATRON members and to any concessionary fees that may from time to time be advised by Committee.
7. When a JCPF PATRON Member is of pensionable age, a concessionary registration fee is available to be claimed.

PATHWAYS OF DEVELOPMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE J.C.P.F CHARITY

Psychic & Spiritual Pathway

A JCPF member is accorded recognition by Central Committee that entitles them to describe their charity membership publicly on achieving status as described below:

JCPF Psychic & Spiritual Registered Healer

This title is accorded to JCPF trainee Healers who have completed healer training. The member must be recommended by a JCPF Healing Group Principal and/or a JCPF Healer Trainer. On registration the member is entitled to heal publicly anywhere in the UK and in Europe (to countries that accept Spiritual Healing) and to train probationer healers to JCPF standards.

JCPF Psychic & Spiritual Medium

This title is accorded to members that have demonstrable skill that the JCPF is prepared to recognise and promote to the general public. The member must be recommended by a course tutor or a consultant teacher and have shown they are able in service events provided by the charity.

JCPF Workshop Tutor

This title is specified according to the skill they are competent to teach. By virtue of appointment they are co-opted members of Central Committee with vote on issues that affect their function as Workshop Tutors.

JCPF Course Tutor

This title is accorded to members who have the skill and experience to teach in part or complete, JCPF approved psychic & spiritual courses. By virtue of appointment they are co-opted members of Central Committee with vote on issues that affect their function as course tutors

JCPF Group Principal

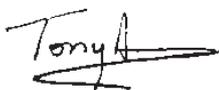
This title is accorded to members who have the skill, experience and membership status necessary that enables them to manage JCPF public service and membership activity events. By virtue of appointment they are members of Central Committee.

JCPF Registered Healer Assessor

This title is accorded to JCPF Psychic & Spiritual Registered Healers who are competent to teach JCPF Psychic & Spiritual Healer development and are considered by the Committee of Foundation able to assess trainee probationer healers to national standards of excellence. By virtue of appointment Registered Healer Assessors are members of Central Committee and co-opted members of Committee of Foundation on matters that affect their function.

JCPF Consultant Teacher

This title is specified according to the skills taught and is accorded to course tutors able to teach all levels of the skills they represent and is considered by Committee of Foundation to provide the best tuition guidance the JCPF can provide its members and general public. By virtue of appointment consultant teachers are members of Central Committee and co-opted members of Committee of Foundation on matters that affect their function.



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