



side by side advocacy

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# Membership application form

I want to apply to become a member of Side By Side Advocacy.



Name:



Address:



Postcode:



Mobile phone number:



Email:

I am happy to receive correspondence via email: Yes  No

I agree with the **Purpose, Values** and **Principles** of Side By Side Advocacy.

I agree to follow the rules of Side By Side Advocacy that are stated in the [Side By Side Advocacy Constitution](#).

Name:

Signature:

Date:

## Statement of Purpose

To promote and uphold the rights, needs and interests of people with disability to enable full and meaningful participation in the community.

We recognise that people with intellectual disability experience particular barriers in having their voices heard and needs met and for that reason we specialise in providing advocacy for people with intellectual disability.

## Values

The following guide our work

- Inclusive – we embrace diversity and treat everyone with dignity and respect
- Accountable – we are transparent and ethical in all we do
- Tenacious – we act with vigour and a determination to achieve the best results.

## Principles

1. Each person's life is of equal and inherent value and worth.
2. People with disability have the right to advocacy and to protection from devaluation, neglect, abuse and the denial of human rights.
3. People with disability have the right to be treated as individuals, and not in terms of their disability.
4. All people are entitled to comprehensive and appropriate support to ensure full inclusion into the community.
5. All people have the right to make decisions about their own lives.
6. All people should be treated with dignity and respect.
7. All people have the right to be safe, valued and accepted.
8. All people have the potential to grow and develop and should be provided with opportunities.
9. All people have the same human and legal rights regardless of age, race, disability, religious belief, sex, sexuality and gender identity.
10. People with disability are to be treated in accordance with the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Here is a link to the [Constitution of Side By Side Advocacy](#)