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Gift Aid explained

Make your donations go further

The Committee would like to encourage all members to Gift Aid their subscription thereby boosting our income.

On your membership fee of £15.00 we can reclaim an additional £3.75 thereby giving a valuable boost to our income and keeping our subscriptions down. This is because the Government operates a scheme called Gift Aid that allows charities to claim the basic rate tax (currently 20%) on membership fees.

HMRC requires the completion of a Gift Aid Declaration (available on your Application and Renewal Forms). This provides us with the minimum information required for us to be able to claim Gift Aid on your membership fee. If a member and his/her partner apply for joint membership the relief may be claimed on the full joint membership payment, £30.00, if the payer alone meets the rules for paying tax.

You do not need to be completing a tax return to be able to Gift Aid. Income sources such as your State Pension, Occupational Pensions and savings accounts are all liable to have tax deducted at source so long as your total income exceeds your personal allowance. So if you are a UK tax payer please Gift Aid your subscription so that we can collect a benefit from HMRC at no additional cost to you or us. This enables us to keep the membership fee as low as possible.

Basically if you are a UK tax payer, please complete the gift aid declaration. You don't need to do anything else - we do the rest!

If you want further clarification please speak to the Treasurer or any committee member.