

Honorary Life Membership

Honorary Life Membership is defined as follows:

A member whose voluntary contribution to Torbay u3a, other than any financial contribution, has been both exceptional and sustained over a period of at least 10 years, whether that contribution has been by way of Interest Group leadership, administration or management, may, on the recommendation of the Committee, be awarded Honorary Life Membership by a majority vote at a committee meeting.

1. TERMS OF REFERENCE OF HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

- a) The Committee receive a nomination for the awarding of honorary life membership
- b) The Committee will evaluate the contribution of the nominee, firstly against the definition set out above, and secondly, to take account of the regard and respect in which the nominee is held by the membership of Torbay u3a.
- c) The identity of the nominee will remain confidential.

2. PROCESS OF NOMINATION

- a) Nominations can be assessed at any time during the year.
- b) Nominations from whatever source are to be submitted to the Chairman of the Committee in the first instance. Nominations may be accompanied by letters of support.
- c) In the event of a nominee being approved for the award by a majority vote, **the recipient must be willing to receive it**. Complete secrecy shall be maintained until the presentation takes place.
- d) The nominee will be invited to attend a monthly general meeting.

3. THE PRESENTATION

- a) The presentation will take place at a monthly general meeting when the nominee is present.
- b) The definition will be read out to justify the presentation of the award.
- c) From the beginning of the next membership year the recipient will receive free membership of Torbay u3a in perpetuity.
- d) The recipient will receive a certificate acknowledging their award.