

How to set up a Local Residents Association



Information from the National Residents Association

Information and background

The first project that we are focusing on with the National Residents Association (NRA) & Local Residents Association (LRA), is raising awareness around 5G & RF (radio frequency) radiation technology. It will give a voice to the whole country. We will be addressing other issues such as water fluoridation & geo engineering in the near future.

Setting up a local residents' association - step by step:

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Two types of residents' association

Once you have a good idea of the group's goals, you need to consider how you want the residents' association to be set-up and run –

1. an informal group
2. formal group.

There are advantages and disadvantages to both. You do not necessarily have to make this decision now.

Setting up an informal residents' association is ideal if you want to improve the local area, as an example. They are particularly suitable if you are working to a low budget, as they cost little to nothing to set-up and run.

A formal residents' association is more suited to groups that tackle serious issues, as they have certain rights. For example, a formal residents' association that represents home owners living in a certain area should be consulted when the council want to spend money on improvements or change how they run the area. These groups are more difficult to set-up, as there are more criteria to meet



To establish a more formal residents association, you will need to:

- Form a committee, with an elected Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer and committee members.
- Adopt a constitution.
- Keep certain records and documents, like an up-to-date list of members, any other rules of the association.
- You can set up as an ‘unincorporated association’ , this is the type of association very often used by local sports clubs.
<https://www.netlawman.co.uk/ia/unincorporated-associations> this is a good link to use if you’d like to go down this route.

Setting up the initial meeting

Once you are confident that there is an interest within your local area and residents are committed to get involved, you can plan your meeting. The key points to consider are listed below.

The purpose of the meeting?

Be clear about why the meeting is being held and what it aims to accomplish.

Setting the date and time to suit the majority.

Aim to give people at least one week's notice of the meeting.

More spontaneous online meetings can be held on Telegram or Zoom

Publicity:

- Advertise the meeting.
 - Make posters, flyers or advertise by word of mouth.
 - The National Residents Association has leaflets for the campaign against 5G/RFR tech that your local residents association can print – with your name on them.
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1. Before setting up a residents association, you should consider the ways you can publicise and inform people of events and issues.
 2. Do you have the financial support to produce leaflets, posters, newsletters, hire a meeting room?
 3. If you are working to a low budget, it is worth checking the ways you are able to raise money, such as holding fundraising events & accessing available funding streams.

Local Residents Associations have a stronger voice by working together with local community members.

