
WHO ARE TEG?

TEG's membership is large and spread across the UK and beyond. We elect an Executive Committee to define and implement policy, delivery and organisational development.

TEG's activities are regulated by a **Constitution**, which was formally adopted when the organisation was established in February 1985. Subsequent Annual General Meetings have updated it in response to experience and changes within the sector.

Elected members of the Committee are elected as 'Officers' (Chair, Secretary, Membership Officer, etc.) or 'Ordinary Members'. Both contribute to developing and implementing policy. Officers have specific, ongoing duties, while 'Ordinary Members' are usually involved in working groups charged with carrying out particular tasks, e.g. the organisation of a Marketplace.

Where it identifies a shortage, whether in capacity or skill, the Committee can co-opt other TEG members to join the Committee. These co-optees are often converted into full members by the next annual ballot.

Observers attend the Committee's meetings to contribute to policy development and keep their organisations informed, but are not expected to carry out tasks. Observer members are often invited from regional funding bodies and other key stakeholders.

Continuity is assured by a part-time professional secretariat, who provide administrative and financial management, to oversee membership, professional development programmes and the website.

Membership of the executive committee is open to all TEG members who are elected at the AGM by ballot.

The activities of the Executive Committee, both as a policy-making body and as an executive group, are documented in the minutes of its meetings. Minutes of meetings over the last three years are available to download from the TEG website. Feedback is welcome at any point in the year, but the main opportunity for the membership to comment is at the Annual General Meeting, when the previous year's record is presented.