

Business Name:

Welcome to your Membership MOT Checklist!

This practical guide is designed to help you make the most of your Visit York membership. By reviewing each section, you can ensure you're fully utilising the benefits and opportunities available to your business.

Some checklist points include links or email addresses to direct you to helpful tools, resources, or actions. Take a few minutes to work through the checklist and unlock the full potential of your membership.

Please contact membership@makeityork.com if you have any questions.

Website Have you logged into your visityork.org account to access and update your listing? Login at visityork.org/login - Access Our Login Guide at visityork.org/mot-login-guide Have you submitted events and offers? If so, are you selecting as many relevant categories as possible to reach the biggest audience, and appear on relevant hub pages? Have you added direct web links, to specific offers or booking pages, to drive visitors to your website? Are you using relevant keywords in your listing to help visitors find you? Is your business description up-to-date, including clear information on what you offer? Are you regularly adding high-quality images to your listing? Are you including your social media links and YouTube channel URL for visitors to easily connect with you? Are your opening hours clearly displayed? Have you included your TripAdvisor rating by pasting your TripAdvisor code into the relevant field? Have you added any special facilities or accessibility notes to inform visitors about your amenities? Have you uploaded a promotional video from YouTube or Vimeo to visually engage visitors on your listing? Is your business map location accurately placed to help visitors find you? Accommodation providers, have you provided additional booking information where relevant? If you are an accommodation provider, have you added a booking link (or used one for attractions, tours, or restaurants)?

Social Media	
Are you tagging Visit York in your social media posts to increase the likelihood of shares? - See All Visit York Social Channels at visityork.org/mot-socials	
Have you used Visit York campaign hashtags to boost your reach? - See Current Campaigns at visityork.org/mot-campaigns	
Are you posting content related to Visit York's citywide events or seasonal activities to engage more visitors? - See York Festivals visityork.org/mot-festivals	

Visit York Newsletters Have you checked the Visit York Members Newsletter for the latest updates and opportunities exclusive to members? - Read the Latest Membership eNews at visityork.org/mot-enews Are you subscribed to Visit York's e-newsletters to stay informed about events, festivals, and special offers being promoted to visitors? - Subscribe to eNews at visityork.org/mot-subscribe

General Benefits	
Are you attending Visit York member networking events to build relationships and discover collaboration opportunities? - See Upcoming Member Events at visityork.org/mot-events	
Have you hosted a Visit York members event? Contact membership@makeityork.com to enquire	
Are you aware of current and upcoming Visit York marketing campaigns? - Read more visityork.org/mot-campaigns	
Are you reviewing Visit York's research reports on industry trends to inform your marketing strategy? - Learn more at visityork.org/mot-research	
Have you shared relevant visitor statistics about your business with Visit York through T-Stats to contribute to citywide data? - Submit your data at visityork.org/mot-tstats	
Have you received and displayed your Visit York membership plaque to showcase your Visit York membership? Contact membership@makeityork.com to get yours.	
Have you entered your business into the Visit York Tourism Awards? Gain local and national recognition by entering at visityork.org/mot-awards	

Press/Comms Have you shared any exciting updates or news about your business with Visit York's PR team to increase potential media exposure? - Send your press releases to us at comms@makeityork.com Are you providing high-quality images directly to Visit York for potential inclusion in press materials?

Do your staff understand the Visit York VIP Pass, and are they prepared for influencers, press, FAM trips and other media visits arranged through Visit York? - Read about the VIP Pass at visityork.org/mot-vip

Are you subscribed to Visit York's press release distribution list to stay informed of citywide news and updates? - Sign Up at visityork.org/mot-press-release

Are you keeping Visit York's PR team updated with any seasonal promotions or unique events that could be featured in Visit York media channels and campaigns?

- Send your press releases to us at comms@makeityork.com

Perks Card

Do you have an active offer available through the Visit York Perks Card to attract local customers?

- Submit a Perk at visityork.org/login

Are you using the Perks Card and enjoying exclusive offers from other Visit York members?

- See all Membership Perks at visityork.org/mot-perks

Are you regularly updating your Perks Card offers to keep them relevant and appealing?

Are your staff well-informed about the Perks Card benefits and understand its use when customers present it?

Find Local Suppliers

Have you checked the Visit York Local Supplier directory for services such as event décor, printing, or training providers to support your business?

- Find Local Suppliers at visityork.org/mot-local

Visitor Information Centre

Have you provided up-to-date brochures or leaflets for display in the Visitor Information Centre to increase visibility? - Learn more about the VIC at visityork.org/mot-vic

Have you briefed Visitor Information Centre staff on any unique offers or seasonal updates so they can share them with visitors?

- Contact info@visityork.org to arrange briefing

Visit York Media Library & Toolkits

Have you accessed the Visit York Media Library to download high-quality images and videos for your marketing materials?

- Register for the Media Library at visityork.org/mot-media

Are you using the Visit York toolkits to strengthen your seasonal campaigns and join in with current Visit York promotions?

Learn more about Toolkits at visityork.org/mot-toolkits

Silver & Gold Membership Benefits

Have you considered upgrading your membership to Silver or Gold?

- See what you get at visityork.org/upgrade

Have you uploaded the maximum number of images allowed on visityork.org for your membership level to make your listing as engaging as possible? - See All Silver/Gold Benefits at visityork.org/mot-silver-gold

Silver/Gold Members: Have you submitted your quarterly social media post request to reach Visit York's wider audience?

Silver/Gold Members: Have you submitted special offers for inclusion in the "7 Days" newsletter to reach local residents and visitors?

Gold Members: Are you using your dedicated blog entries on visityork.org to tell your story and engage new audiences?

Gold Members: Have you submitted banner ads for placement on visityork.org to increase brand visibility?

Gold members: Have you submitted your 7 Days dedicated emails?

Additional Marketing Opportunities

Have you explored Visit York's digital marketing options, such as website advertising, social media posts, and e-newsletter features, to reach a larger audience?

- Review Digital Marketing Opportunities at visityork.org/mot-digital

Have you considered featured placements in the "Must See & Do" or "Hidden Gems" sections on visityork.org for more exposure?

Are you advertising in Visit York publications, like the Mini Guide or Winter Guide, to connect with a broader audience? - See our Publications at visityork.org/mot-publications

Have you looked into advertising on digital screens at the Visitor Information Centre to showcase your business to thousands of visitors? - Learn more about the VIC screens at visityork.org/mot-vic-screens

Are you featuring your business on the City Centre Art Benches along Parliament Street to reach a high-footfall audience and build awareness? - Learn more about the art benches at visityork.org/mot-art-bench