

## Membership Form

**Join us!** membership is open to anyone who shares our aims. You do not have to live in Dundee to join.

**I wish to join the Dundee-Nablus Twinning Association (DNTA):**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I will promote friendship and understanding between the peoples of Dundee and Nablus. I agree to abide by the constitution of DNTA.

You may include my name on the list of members which is made available to other DNTA members Yes  No

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

We prefer you to pay by standing order (*form below and on our website*). Or send a cheque payable to Dundee-Nablus Twinning Association. Subscription rates on back page.

### Standing Order Form

To the Manager (bank): \_\_\_\_\_

Bank address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

A/c holders: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please make an initial payment of: £ \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ and thereafter the same sum  
on the same day of each succeeding year until further  
notice. This cancels any previous Standing Order from me  
in favour of Dundee-Nablus Twinning Association.

Co-operative Bank plc 08-92-99 65435270

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this completed form to the  
**Membership Secretary:** Nick Marra,  
405 Blackness Road, Dundee DD1 2TR



## Dundee-Nablus Twinning Association

### Convener

convener@dundee-nablus.org.uk

### Secretary

secretary@dundee-nablus.org.uk

### We encourage membership:

Individuals **£10** (min)

Families **£15** (min)

Unwaged and students **£5** (min)

Groups and organisations **£20** (min) per year

Please use the form on the back page or contact:

### Membership Secretary

Nick Marra

405 Blackness Road, Dundee DD1 2TR

Phone: 01382 644687

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DNTA works closely with and appreciates  
support from Dundee City Council  
and the Lord Provost of Dundee

### Visit our website:

[www.dundee-nablus.org.uk](http://www.dundee-nablus.org.uk)

## NDTA

In Dundee we have the Dundee-Nablus  
Twinning Association (DNTA), and in Nablus  
there is our partner – the Nablus-Dundee  
Twinning Association (NDTA).



## Dundee-Nablus Twinning Association

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**Nablus—present**



**Nablus—future**

[www.dundee-nablus.org.uk](http://www.dundee-nablus.org.uk)



## What is Twinning?

Twinning brings friendship and understanding between people in two cities. Dundee has several twins and encourages visits and personal contact with links in education, culture and commerce.

## Twinning with Nablus

Dundee and Nablus links started in 1980 when three Dundee councillors met the Mayor of Nablus, Bassam Shaka'a in London. They invited him to the Dundee Limb Fitting Centre for artificial legs because his legs had been blown off by a car bomb. This link led to the historic twinning between the two cities.

## Why should I join?

Twinning has to involve the people of Dundee. By joining you get information about our activities and plans. You can participate in our events and elect the management committee at our Annual General Meeting.

Through our community fund we have helped groups in Nablus working with children, young people, arts projects and others.

## Where is Nablus?

Nablus lies in the West Bank, 30 miles (48km) north of Jerusalem in a fertile valley between two mountains. It is much hotter than Dundee in the summer but can be surprisingly cold in winter.

Nablus is one of the oldest cities in the world and one of the largest cities in Palestine. It has many similarities with Dundee and is roughly the same size with around 150,000 people.

## Nablus today

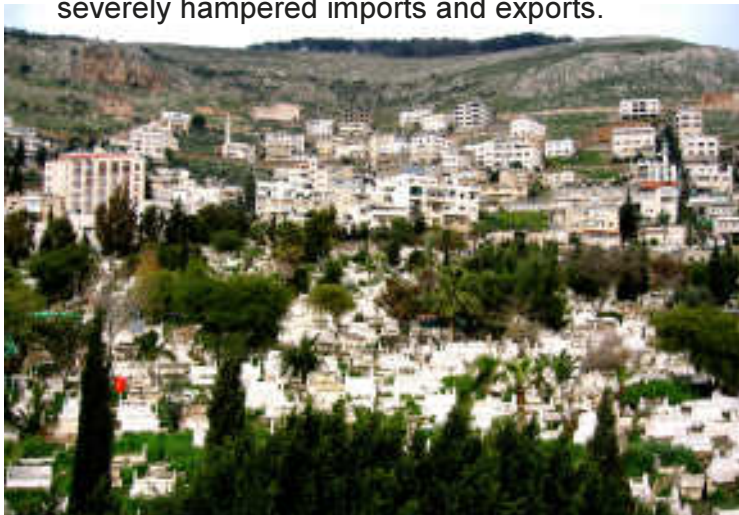
Nablus has a beautiful old city with narrow streets between stone houses, mosques, a 3<sup>rd</sup> century amphitheatre, ancient Turkish baths and a landmark clock tower. In the market/souq you can shop and enjoy mint tea with hummus or falafels from many friendly little outlets.

As well as the Muslim majority, there are many Christians in Nablus and a long-established Jewish Samaritan community.

There are four refugee camps. Balata is the largest in the West Bank with over 20,000 people. Some left Jaffa in 1948 when Israel was created (though most were born in Balata). They and their families long to return.

Nablus has 81 schools and An Najah National University which is the largest in Palestine with over 19,000 students.

Nablus is famous for its soap, olive oil, and delicious sweets. In recent years factories have been destroyed and Israeli road blocks have severely hampered imports and exports.



## What does the Association do?

We link people in Dundee and Nablus who want to meet and make connections between the two cities. This is supported by the Lord Provost of Dundee and the Mayor of Nablus. Other links involve schools, trades unions, hospitals, arts projects and churches.

Delegations from Dundee visit Nablus and we host visitors from Nablus here.

We are not 'political' but we draw attention to the hardships suffered by people in Nablus and to abuses of human rights



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