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- To attend meetings, including the AGM, and take part in discussions concerning Thoughtful Foods
- To receive the weekly Thoughtful Foods Bulletin via email
- To learn about every aspect of running a cooperative/business
- To attend training sessions and workshops run by Thoughtful Foods
- To volunteer at Thoughtful Foods
- To be informed about meetings and social events
- To place bulk orders, and to order pre-paid bread and fruit and vegetable boxes
- To suggest new products for Thoughtful Foods to consider stocking
- To receive your Thoughtful Foods membership card when you join or renew your yearly membership

### **Responsibilities as a member**

- To pay your annual membership fee in order to keep your membership active
- To help facilitate the ongoing sharing of skills you learn within the co-op
- To be considerate of volunteers
- To ensure the co-op has your current contact details
- To refrain from grazing while you are doing your shift or shopping and to pay for any spillages
- To wash your hands before shopping and to use the utensils provided
- To be constructive when criticising any perceived problems within the co-op, and to be prepared to take a part in resolving the problem
- To ensure you comply with the conditions of the prepaid bread and fruit and vegetable boxes system
- To ensure you don't conduct yourself in a manner prejudicial or detrimental to the interests of the co-op
- To present your membership card in order to receive any relevant discounts
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