

Northmoor Community Association CONSTITUTION

1. Profile of the Organisation

Northmoor Community Association is a company limited by guarantee and registered charity established in 2001 by local residents and people working within the area.

Our aim is to give a voice for the local community and to positively promote the area of Northmoor through the provision of local services.

2. Objectives

Northmoor Community Association will work towards improving the quality of life for people living or working within the Northmoor area through the promotion of charitable purposes to relieve poverty, promote health, advance education and provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation.

Our aims are:

- 2.1 to establish, maintain and manage a community building.
- 2.2 to promote and run training, vocational training, workshops, advice sessions, events and other activities in furtherance of our objectives.
- 2.3 to undertake any other activities considered appropriate in furtherance of the above objectives.

3. Powers

The Association will have the following powers in furtherance of our objectives:

- 3.1 to purchase, acquire, hire, take on lease or in exchange personal property and to construct, maintain and alter any buildings.
- 3.2 to publish written information, films and instructional matter.
- 3.3 to hold seminars, conferences, courses and exhibitions.
- 3.4 to receive donations, endowments, sponsorship fees, subscriptions and legacies and to hold funds in trust.
- 3.5 to borrow or raise money on terms and security as may be thought fit subject to legal requirements.
- 3.6 to establish and support, or aid and amalgamate with any other charitable group and to subscribe or guarantee money for charitable purposes.
- 3.7 to lawfully undertake and execute any charitable trust as necessary.
- 3.8 to invest the Association's money not immediately required for its own purposes as required by law and subject to the provisions of the Memorandum of Association.
- 3.9 to lawfully sell, improve, develop, exchange, let on rent, royalty or otherwise to deal with or dispose of all or any property and assets for the time being of the Association subject to the provisions of the Memorandum of Association.
- 3.10 to engage or employ personnel (except those who are members of its Committee) as employees, consultants, advisers or however as required.
- 3.11 to open and operate bank accounts and other facilities for banking in the name of the Association.
- 3.12 to lawfully provide indemnity insurance to cover the liability of members of the Committee subject to the provisions of the Memorandum of Association.
- 3.13 to do all such other lawful things as may be necessary for the attainment of the objects or any of them.

4. Membership

Membership of Northmoor Community Association is in line with the Articles of Association as follows

4.1 Full Members:

Persons aged 18 years or over who live or work in the area of benefit and support the objects of the Association.

Voluntary and Community Groups, Societies, unincorporated associations or companies within the area of benefit who support the objects of the Association.

4.2 Junior Members (Non-voting):

Persons aged 14 to 17 years who live or work in the area of benefit and support the objects of the Association.

4.3 Associate Members:

Persons, Organisations or Statutory Agencies not eligible as above.

5. Management Committee

5.1 The Association is led by a Management Committee, of between six and up to twelve comprising of: 10 members elected & co-opted with not more than 5 persons representing organisations as determined by the Management Committee at any time

5.2 The Committee has responsibility for overall management of the Association.

5.3 No Committee Member shall benefit financially or materially from serving on the Management Committee and should declare any interest and / or withdraw from a meeting while such an issue is discussed.

5.4 The Committee shall appoint the following officers; Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and any other Officer as required.

6. Committee Meetings

6.1 The Association shall hold its first Annual General Meeting within 18 months of incorporation.

6.2 Except the first, there shall be no more than 15 months between each Annual General Meeting.

6.3 Meetings of the Committee will be held to share information, receive reports and make decisions as governed by the Articles of Association.

6.4 Only Full Members of the Association present have the right to vote.

6.5 The quorum for the transaction of business shall be one-half of the Management Committee members or four, whichever is the greater.

7. Closing Down the Group

7.1 If upon the closing down or dissolution of the Association, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, there remains any funds whatsoever, these shall be given to some other charitable organisation having similar objects.

Signature..........Chairperson

Signature..........Company Secretary