

HASLEMERE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

By resolution, passed at the General Meeting of the Allotment holders held on 23rd February 2014 the following Constitution was adopted.

1. The name of the Association shall be THE HASLEMERE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION.
2. The object of the Association shall be to maintain and improve the site known as Haslemere Allotments for the benefit of all users and for future generations in partnership with Pathways, to co-operate with other gardening associations in matters of mutual interests
3. The Association shall be apolitical.
4. Membership of the Association shall be in line with the Tenancy agreement with Pathways for the letting of an allotment garden by the payment of an annual subscription, the amount of which shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting and shall become due on 1st April along with the annual plot rental. Membership is only valid if the rental for the plot is up to date.
5. A Committee consisting of a Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and no more than six ordinary members (one of whom may be a representative of Pathways) shall conduct the business of the Association. All allotment holders, who have paid up membership, may attend and speak to any meeting of the Committee.
6. The Committee members, Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. The Tenure of any post on the committee shall be voluntary, unpaid and open only to members of the association and shall be for a term of 1 year.
7. Officers shall be elected for the ensuing year at the Annual General Meeting and shall not be eligible for re-election for the same office after a term of 3 years. The Committee shall have the power to co-opt in order to fill vacancies. Vacant office bearer positions may be temporarily filled by the committee until the next Annual General Meeting.
8. At least 15% of all eligible plot holders must be present at any Annual General Meeting to enable a valid election to take place.
9. A banking account shall be kept in the name of the HASLEMERE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION, cheques are to be signed by the Treasurer and one of at least two named Committee members.
10. The funds of the Association shall be devoted entirely to furthering the aims of the Association and the site known as Haslemere Allotments.
11. The accounts shall be closed on 31st December. They are to be independently checked. The Treasurer shall make all payments on the authority of the Committee. The accounts shall be available to the AGM and to the Committee.
12. The Annual General Meeting shall be held each year no later than thirteen months after the previous General Meeting or inaugural meeting of which fourteen days' notice must be given.
13. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at any time by a requisition signed by at least twenty members of the allotment association who shall state the purpose of the request. Notice shall be as that for an AGM.

14. No alteration and/or addition to this constitution may be made except at the Annual General Meeting or at an Extraordinary General Meeting specifically convened for that purpose.

15. Notice of any motion must be received by the Secretary at least ten days before the General Meeting (Annual or Extraordinary).

16. The Association may be dissolved at an Annual General Meeting or at an Extraordinary General Meeting specifically convened for that purpose. The Committee Members will remain in office and will be responsible for the orderly winding up of the Associations affairs, any surplus funds remaining will be transferred to one or more bodies established with the same or similar objects to the Association's

Adopted at the General Meeting held on 23rd February 2014, held at Northfields Community Centre, 71a Northcroft Avenue.

Chair of the Meeting – Bettina Crossick

Signature



Witness to the Signature – Sonia Pearce