

The Friends of Broomhill Avenue Greenspace Constitution

1. Name

The name of the group shall be "The Friends of Broomhill Avenue Greenspace", as agreed with Glasgow City Council.

2. Objects

The object of the group is to work with Glasgow City Council to improve and protect the environmental amenity of the area known as Broomhill Avenue Greenspace for current and future residents of the Broomhill area and its surrounds by:

- providing a local green space for leisure, recreation, educational, and aesthetic value;
- providing an area within the urban environment which helps to support and encourage wildlife and improves the environmental awareness of the site users; and
- providing a green area which can assist in improving local air quality by supporting trees and other plants which can help to remove air pollution caused by nearby roads.

3. Powers

In furtherance of the above objects the group may undertake any activity designed to support the above objects, and without prejudice to that generality:

- a. Employ and pay any person or persons to supervise, organise and carry on the work of the group;
- b. Engage and pay fees to professional and technical advisors/consultants to assist in the work of the group;
- c. Work in liaison with representatives of voluntary organisations, Government departments, local and other statutory authorities and individuals;
- d. Take out membership of such organisations as are considered to be in the interest of and compatible with the objects of the group;
- e. Promote and carry out or assist in promoting research survey investigations and where considered appropriate publish the results;
- f. Arrange and provide for or join in arranging and providing for the holding of exhibitions, meetings, lectures, classes, seminars and training courses;

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- g. Collect and disseminate information on all matters affecting the objects and exchange such information with other bodies having similar objects whether in this country or overseas;
- h. Cause to be written and printed or otherwise reproduced and circulated such papers, books, periodicals or other documents as shall further the objects;
- i. Subject to such consents as may be required by law, borrow or raise money for the objects and accept gifts in such terms and on such securities as shall be deemed necessary;
- j. Raise funds and invite and receive contributions from any person or persons provided that the group does not undertake permanent trading activities in raising funds for the said object;
- k. Invest the monies of the group not immediately required for the said objects in or upon such investments, securities or property as may be thought fit, subject nevertheless to such conditions (if any) as may for the time being be imposed or required by law;
- l. Acquire and hold property (including heritage) of all types on terms and conditions approved by the Management Committee;
- m. Take out loans and effect such insurances in accordance with such conditions as the Management Committee consider appropriate;
- n. Work and collaborate with any other individual or organisation whose interests and activities are, in the opinion of the Management Committee, conducive to the objects set out above, and
- o. Do all other lawful things as necessary for the attainment of the objects.

4. Membership and Subscription

- a. Membership of the group shall be open to all interested persons aged 18 years or over on completion of registration and any subscription which may be determined from time to time at a general meeting.
- b. There shall be a family membership available to include spouses and children under the age of 18 with each family being entitled to one vote.
- c. Persons under the age of 18 shall be eligible for junior membership at no subscription cost and with no voting rights.
- d. Societies and other groups interested in the objects and activities may affiliate on such payment as may be determined by a general meeting. Such organisations shall have one vote.

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- e. Honorary members may be elected at the discretion of the Management Committee, but these members shall not be entitled to vote at general meetings.
- f. The Management Committee shall have the right for good and sufficient reason to terminate the membership of any individual or organisation provided the individual concerned or the individual representing such organisation all have the right to appeal to the Management Committee before the final decision is made.
- g. Where they consider it appropriate the Management Committee may waive the payment of a subscription or other fee for any individual or class of member.

5. Management

- a. The affairs of the group shall be managed by a Management Committee consisting of five Office Bearers, up to four Ordinary Members
- b. The Office Bearers shall be as follows: Chairman, Deputy Chairman, Secretary, Membership Secretary, and Treasurer. They shall stand for re-election annually.
- c. The Ordinary Members shall stand for re-election annually.
- d. The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the group.
- e. The Management Committee shall have powers to co-opt members to serve on the Committee until the next AGM.
- f. The quorum for meetings of the Management Committee shall be 4 members of the committee present in person.
- g. Every member of the committee shall have one vote which (whether on a show of hands or on a secret ballot) must be given personally,
- h. In the case of an equality of votes, whether on a show of hands or on a ballot, the chairperson of the meeting shall be entitled to a casting vote in addition to any other deliberative vote he/she may have.
- i. The Management Committee may delegate any function to a sub-committee or individual member of the Committee or member of the wider membership of the group.

6. Patrons

- a. The group may have up to two patrons, elected at an AGM, and holding office until he or she resigns or is removed by a vote of not less than a two thirds

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majority of members attending and voting at a general meeting of the association.

- b. Each patron shall be entitled to attend and be heard at any meeting of members or of the management committee, but shall not be entitled to a vote.

7. Meetings of the group

- a. The Management Committee shall meet at least three times each year to discuss ordinary business. Four members of the Management Committee shall be a quorum.
- b. An AGM of all members of the full group will be held within 15 months of the last AGM. At least 21 days' notice of this meeting shall be given by the secretary, who shall send copies of the agenda to members.
- c. The business to be conducted by the AGM shall include consideration of the Chairman's annual report, the Treasurer's independently inspected accounts or audited accounts as appropriate, and the election of Committee members. Additional items for consideration may be raised by any member giving not less than 1 week's written notice to the secretary, or at the chairman's discretion at the meeting itself.
- d. An extraordinary general meeting may be summoned at the request of any 10 members. Notice of such a meeting shall be sent by the secretary to all members at least 21 days before the date of the meeting.

8. Finance

- a. The funds of the group shall be managed as the Management Committee direct.
- b. The Treasurer shall keep proper accounts of the finances of the group.
- c. A Bank Account shall be opened in the name of the group with such Bank as the Management Committee shall decide. The Management Committee shall authorise named members of the Management Committee (one of whom shall be the Treasurer) to sign cheques on behalf of the group. All cheques must be signed by not less than two or three of the authorised signatories.

9. Property

The title to all property, heritable and moveable which may be acquired by or on behalf of the group shall be vested in the names of those holding the offices of Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer for the time being ex officio.

10. Amendment

This constitution may be approved or amended at an AGM or at any Meeting specifically called for that purpose, with the support of two thirds of the members present and voting provided 1 months' notice of the proposed amendment has been

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given to the Secretary. The notice of such meeting shall state the terms of the proposed amendment. The quorum for such a meeting will be 20% of the membership. No alteration shall be made which would have the effect of causing the association to cease being recognised by the Inland Revenue as a charity.

11. Application of Funds

- a. Membership or affiliation will not entitle any person, Society or group to any share in the income or assets of the group which shall be expended only on the objects set out in Article 2 of the Constitution.
- b. If the group is wound up, any funds remaining after liabilities shall be given or transferred to a charitable organisation in Scotland with similar objects, as the Management Committee may determine.

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This Constitution was agreed and accepted on: 21st October 2018

Chair
(Print Name) [Redacted] Signature [Redacted]

Deputy Chair
(Print Name) [Redacted] Signature [Redacted]

Treasurer
(Print Name) [Redacted] Signature [Redacted]

Secretary
(Print Name) [Redacted] ... Signature [Redacted]

Membership Secretary
(Print Name) [Redacted] [Redacted]