

ST EBBE'S NEW DEVELOPMENT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

As amended at the Annual General Meeting 2019

1.1 Objectives

The Association aims to foster and maintain good relations between members to promote and safeguard their environmental interests.

1.2 Membership

Membership shall be open to residents of St Ebbe's New Development, subject to the payment of an annual subscription in respect of each separate dwelling.

1.3 Continuing Membership

This is open to people who have moved away from the neighbourhood and wish to continue receiving the Newsletter and be invited to events.

1.4 Annual Subscription

The annual subscription for the following calendar year shall be determined by the outgoing Treasurer, subject to confirmation by the Annual General Meeting.

Continuing Members pay half the annual subscription.

2.1 Organisation

The affairs of the Association shall be regulated by its members at an annual or other general meeting and the management of its business shall be the responsibility of the Committee established in accordance with Clause 2.4. The financial year shall run from 1/11/xx to 31/10/xx, to take effect from the financial year 2004/05.

2.2 Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting shall normally be held during the period October to December. It shall elect the officers and members of the Committee for the ensuing calendar year, receive reports and accounts and transact such other business as may be necessary or proposed. Nominations for election shall reach the Honorary Secretary seven days before the Annual General Meeting. Such nominations shall bear the names of the proposer and seconder and the written consent of the nominee.

2.3 General Meetings

The Committee may convene a general meeting when deemed desirable or if requested to do so at fourteen days' notice in writing to the Honorary Secretary by at least three members.

2.4 The Committee

The Committee shall consist of

(a) The Officers

(b) Not more than four other members elected so that as far as possible there shall be representation of each major group of buildings in the estate

(c) Not more than two members co-opted by the Committee.

2.5 The Officers

The Officers shall be the Chairman, the Honorary Secretary, and the Honorary Treasurer. Further offices may be created if the need arises.

2.6 Working Groups

The Committee may appoint working groups, each to include one of its own members, for specific purposes. It shall prescribe the powers and duties of each such group, shall appoint the Chairman, and shall receive regular reports of its work.

3.1 Period of Office

The Officers and members of the Committee shall serve for a minimum of one calendar year and a maximum of three consecutive calendar years. They shall not normally be eligible for further service before the elapse of one calendar year.

3.2 Occasional Vacancies

In the event of an Officer being unable to continue to serve, the Committee is empowered to elect one of its number to the office vacated.

The Committee is further empowered to fill by invitation any other vacancy arising during its term of office, due consideration being given to the principle of representation in 2.4 above.

4.1 Conduct of Meetings

At any meeting of the Association at which a decision cannot be reached by consensus, duly proposed and seconded amendments shall be voted upon before substantive motions are put. Decisions shall rest in all cases on a simple majority, the Chairman having the casting vote. At any meeting of the Association, the presence of fifteen members shall constitute a quorum. At any meeting of the Committee, the presence of four members shall constitute a quorum.

5.1 Changes to the Constitution

Changes to the Constitution may be made at the AGM. A notice period of three weeks must be given to the membership. A change must be approved by two thirds of the membership present at the AGM. Any changes take immediate effect.

6.1 Winding Up

The Association may determine at a general meeting that it be wound up. The Committee shall thereupon dispose of the money or other assets of the Association, having regard as far as possible to the aims and purposes of the Association.

