

CONSTITUTION OF WALMLEY ASH ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION (WAAA)

1. Name of the Association

The name of the Association will be Walmley Ash Allotment Association.

2. Membership of the Association

Members: The named tenant on the tenancy agreement and who has paid the Association fee will be a member of the Association and entitled to vote.

Associate members: A spouse, partner, son, or daughter etc. that actively takes part in the cultivation of a named members plot and will have voting rights and the right to be a member of the Committee but to be limited to one associate member per plot.

Officers: Officers of the Committee are the Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary.

Committee members: Members or Associate members of the Association who have been appointed as committee members via a vote at the AGM or co-opted by the committee.

3. Objectives of the Association

The objects of the Association will be:

- 3.1. To safeguard and promote the interests of plot holders.
- 3.2. To co-operate with local authorities and other organisations for the benefit of all plot holders.
- 3.3. To ensure the good management and cultivation of the site to promote healthy gardening.

4. The Committee

The Committee ideally consists of: three officers: Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and any willing members up to a maximum of eight all told. All Committee members shall be members or Associate members of the Association.

- 4.1. Committee members will be re/elected yearly at the Annual General Meeting.
The Chair, Secretary and Treasurer will be elected every two years to enable continuity.
- 4.2. The Committee shall meet as often as it deems necessary to transact its business and will give committee members as much notice as possible of meetings.
- 4.3. The Committee will have the power to co-opt to fill vacancies or co-opt to undertake specific projects.
- 4.4. Committee meetings will be quorate with at least four members present in person and at least two of those will be Officers.

5. Annual General Meeting

An Annual General Meeting will be held yearly and at least 28 days' notice will be given. At the Annual General Meeting, reports will be submitted by the Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

6. Banking

The Committee is empowered to open a bank or other type of accounts in the name of the Association only. All cheques issued on behalf of the Association will be double signed. The signatories will be agreed by the Management Committee.

7. Voting at general meetings

Voting at all meetings will be by show of hands and in the event of equal votes, the Chair of the meeting will have the casting vote.

8. Dissolution

On dissolution of the Association any monies not owing to Birmingham City Council will be given to a local registered charity.

9. Amendments to rules

These rules were agreed at the Annual General Meeting of the Association on 1st October 2021. Amendments to these rules can be made in writing at an Annual General Meeting providing that written notification is with the Secretary at least 14 days prior to the meeting.