



## EXAMPLE CONSTITUTION

### 1. ADOPTION OF THE CONSTITUTION

1.1 The group and its property will be administered and managed in accordance with the provision in this constitution.

### 2.1 NAME

1.2 The title of the organisation is .....hereinafter called WaW

### 3. OBJECTS

3.1 The overall aim of WaW will be to promote .....for the purpose of:

Recreational walking for the benefit of residents, visitors and the tourism economy of the ..... area.

3.2.1. WaW will only take responsibility for monitoring Rights of Way within the .....Township boundary.

3.2.2. There will also be a watching and co-operation brief for the .....area.

3.3 To be responsible for ensuring that .....continues to meet the criteria set nationally for "Walkers are Welcome" status.

3.4 To work to maintain and improve facilities for walkers including but not exclusively, Rights of Way and public transport

3.5 To publicise the local WaW and the National Network.

3.6 To encourage other towns and villages to become accredited.

3.7 To act in partnership with the community, businesses, relevant groups and Local Authorities to achieve these aims

3.8 WaW shall be operated as a not-for-profit organisation

#### **4. POWERS**

4.1 In addition to any other powers, WaW may organise events and activities, and raise funds in order to further the objects to support the aims of WaW.

#### **5. MEMBERSHIP**

5.1 Membership shall be open to any individual, business or interested parties that share the objects of WaW.

5.2 WaW will keep a register of e-mail addresses of members and interested parties for the purpose of circulating minutes, notices and newsletters. This will be available to Committee members for WaW purposes only.

5.3 WaW will work to improve access for all for the purpose of the enjoyment of our local countryside and facilities.

#### **6. INCOME AND PROPERTY**

6.1 All income and property of WaW shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects.

#### **7. COMMITTEE**

7.1 WaW will be managed by a committee to be appointed annually which will consist of any persons that support the objects.

7.2 The Committee shall have the power to co-opt additional members onto the Committee with the approval of a two-thirds majority of the Committee.

7.3 The Committee shall decide how roles and duties shall be shared to meet the objects.

7.4 WaW shall meet a minimum of four times per year.

7.5 WaW will endeavour to hold their yearly AGM in November.

7.6 Any four members of the Committee may call an extraordinary meeting of WaW.

7.7 It is considered beneficial to include representatives from all tiers of local government on the Committee.

## **8. ACCOUNTS**

8.1 WaW financial year shall commence 1 January and run to 31 December.

8.2 The appointed financial person shall keep proper financial records and shall report at each meeting to the Committee.

8.3 Accounts shall be subject to independent financial review at the end of the financial year.

## **9. BANK ACCOUNTS**

9.1 All monies received shall be paid into a bank account in the name of WaW.

9.2 Cheques shall be signed by two members of the Committee that are not related.

## **10. AMENDMENTS**

10.1 This constitution may be amended in accordance with the approval of a two-thirds majority of the Committee providing it does not contravene National Network criteria.

10.2 The proposal of any amendment must be circulated with the appropriate Committee agenda with one week's notice.

## **11. DISSOLUTION**

11.1 The committee may dissolve WaW with a two-thirds majority of WaW.

11.2 Any money and assets left after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities shall be applied to purposes in keeping with the objects of WaW.

11.4 All books and documents of WaW shall be placed with such a person or organisation for safe keeping as the meeting shall decide.

Date adopted .....

Name: .....

Name: .....

Signature

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