

ALSAGER GARDENS ASSOCIATION

RULES AND CONSTITUTION

1 NAME

The Name of the Association shall be the “Alsager Gardens Association”

2 OBJECTS

The objects of the Association shall be to promote the good cultivation of all gardens, to purchase seeds, plants and fertilisers at wholesale rates and to sell such purchases to the members at reasonable prices and generally to assist members in all matters tending to promote good management and cultivation of gardens.

The Association manages the four allotment sites in Alsager for the Alsager Town Council. It collects rents from plot holders, allocates plots to prospective tenants and monitors the standard of plots. It organises regular maintenance and improvements at the sites using the annual maintenance budget provided from our rental payments to the Council.

3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The business of the Association shall be conducted by the Executive Committee which shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Association.

4 MEMBERSHIPS

All applications for membership shall be made at the Trading Hut or to the Secretary.

5 SUBSCRIPTIONS

Each member shall pay an annual subscription to be determined at the annual meeting of the association each year and shall be due immediately thereafter. Any member more than one year in arrears will not be entitled to any benefits until the outstanding arrears and the current year's subscription have been paid.

6 PURCHASE OF SEEDS

All seeds, plants, tool and appliances purchased by members from the Association shall be paid for at the time of collection. Any member purchasing seeds, plants or fertilisers through the Association for the use of non-members shall be liable to a fine or expulsion from the Association at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

7 QUORUM

A Quorum of the General Meeting shall be eleven. A Quorum of the Executive Committee shall be seven.

8 NOMINATION OF ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

The Executive Committee shall recommend to the Annual General Meeting a nomination for President. If approved by those present, they will be remain in office until they resign.

9 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Annual General Meeting shall appoint a Chairman and Secretary and Treasurer who shall hold office for a period of one year. The Executive Committee shall appoint other officers as it sees fit and fill any temporary officer or committee vacancies at its discretion.

10 REMOVAL OF MEMBERS

Any member of the Association may be removed by a resolution of the Executive Committee. In the event of a proposed removal the individual involved has the right of appeal and, if desired, to be accompanied by another adult at the appeal hearing.

11 RESOLUTIONS

Any resolution other than Rule change at the Annual General Meeting or Executive Committee Meeting shall be decided by a majority vote of those present.

12 CASTING VOTES

The Chairman of the Annual General Meeting and the Executive Committee shall have a casting vote at the respective meetings.

13 AUDITS

The accounts will be audited by a suitably qualified person as legally required.

- 14 In the unlikely event of the AGA being wound up for any reason all remaining assets will be passed to any other local groups with similar aims and objectives or to any charities who support the local environment.

15 AMENDMENTS OF RULES

No motion to rescind or alter any of the foregoing rules shall be in order unless the terms of such motions shall be in writing signed by the member proposing the motion and one other member and shall distinctly state the nature and substance of such motions and shall be delivered to the Secretary not less than seven clear days prior to the Annual General Meeting of the Association. No motion to rescind or alter any of the foregoing rules shall be carried unless two-thirds of the members present, and voting shall vote for such motion.

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