

CONSTITUTION OF AN UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION

1. NAME

The name of the Association is Mangotsfield Village Festival.

2. OBJECTS

The objects of the Association are:

To run a Festival of Folk Arts with craft and village fairs and exhibitions within the village of Mangotsfield;

To give people the opportunity to watch, listen, learn about and join in with traditional music, dance and song;

To give platforms for performances by local musicians and dancers of all ages;

To bring together local schools, churches and other not for profit groups and organisations and provide an opportunity for them to raise funds.

3. POWERS

The powers of the organisation shall be as follows:

- 3.1 To hold regular meetings to progress it's aims;
- 3.2 To organise and manage events and exhibitions;
- 3.3 To apply for and raise funds to be used for furthering it's aims;
- 3.4 To employ paid staff and follow any legal requirements;
- 3.5 To acquire or hire property of any kind;

- 3.6 To let or dispose of property of any kind;
- 3.7 To make grants or loans and to give guarantees;
- 3.8 To deposit or invest funds in any lawful manner;
- 3.9 To take out insurances to protect the income and property of the Association and members of the Committee where required;
- 3.10 To enter into contracts to provide services to or on behalf of other bodies;
- 3.11 To co-operate with other bodies;
- 3.12 To support, administer or set up other charities;
- 3.13 To do anything else within the law which promotes or helps to promote the objectives.

4. MEMBERSHIP

- 4.1 Membership will be open to individuals and organisations who are interested in promoting the objects of the Association;
- 4.2 The Committee may terminate the membership of any individual or organization whose continued membership would be in the reasonable view of the Committee be harmful to the Association;
- 4.3 Each individual attending will be entitled to one vote at an AGM or General meeting.

5. THE COMMITTEE

- 5.1 The Committee will be elected by the membership at it's Annual General Meeting;
- 5.2 The Committee will consist of at least 6 individuals;
- 5.3 The quorum of the Committee will be 6;
- 5.4 The Committee will have the authority to co-opt additional Committee members, from within or outside the membership of the Association, who can provide relevant skills or knowledge in support of the Objects;
- 5.5 At least 2 Committee meetings will be held each year;
- 5.6 The Committee will have the power to appoint sub-committees which must include at least one Committee member and will report back to Committee meetings;
- 5.7 Financial reports shall be presented to each Committee meeting.

6. INCOME AND PROPERTY

- 6.1 The property and funds of the Association must be used only for promoting the Objects and do not belong to the members of the Association or the Committee;
- 6.2 Committee members may be paid reasonable out of pocket expenses;
- 6.3 The Association will keep a record of all income and expenditure and will ensure that an independent accountant's review and report are presented annually at the AGM;
- 6.4 The financial year will run from September 1st – August 31st;
- 6.5 Two signatures shall be required for all cheques; authorised signatories shall be appointed by the Committee at the AGM.

7. ANNUAL MEETING

- 7.1 An annual meeting shall be held not later than October in each year; this will be an open public meeting;
- 7.2 The annual meeting shall be a time to review the Objects of the Association, its achievements, receive reports including an independent accountant's review and report and elect committee members for the following year;
- 7.3 The date of the following year's Festival will be ratified at the annual meeting;
- 7.4 Auditors will be approved for the following year.

8. CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION

- 8.1 The constitution may be amended by a resolution passed by not less than two thirds majority of the members present and voting at a general meeting. Members must be given at least four weeks notice of the meeting. The notice of the general meeting must include notice of the resolution setting out the terms of the amendment proposed.

9. DISSOLUTION

- 9.1 The organisation can be dissolved at a general meeting with at least two thirds of the members in attendance in agreement to dissolve. Members must be given at least four weeks notice of the meeting. After making provision for all outstanding liabilities of the Association, the Committee may transfer all the remaining property and funds to registered charities or not-for-profit organisations agreed at that meeting by a simple majority vote.

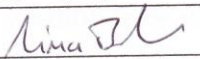
ADOPTED AT MEETING HELD

AT Cleve Rugby Club (PLACE)

ON 12th March 2014 (DATE)

SIGNED

NAME SIMON BUDD

SIGNATURE 

(name and signature of chair of meeting)

WITNESSED

NAME KAREN PERROTT

ADDRESS C/O. CLEVE RFC

SIGNATURE 

(NAME, ADDRESS AND SIGNATURE OF WITNESS)