



BLOOMSBURY RESIDENTS' ACTION GROUP

CONSTITUTION

1. **Name**

The name of the Association shall be

Bloomsbury Residents' Action Group (BRAG)

2. **Aims**

The aims of the Association shall be

- a) to represent and work for the benefit of all who live south of Euston Road, London WC1, in the area between Greys Inn Road and Tottenham Court Road ('the Area')
- b) to work for the maintenance and improvement of the environment and amenities in this area
- c) to establish a forum for the views of the residents of this area
- d) to communicate with various local official bodies, such as local authorities and community organisations
- e) to hold meetings open to all residents, and others when appropriate, and to issue reports of these meetings
- f) to uphold equal opportunities and work for good relations with and between all residents in the local community.

BRAG shall be a non-political and non-sectarian association.

3. **Membership**

Membership of the association shall be open to all residents in the Area. These residents shall be voting members. Other local persons such as those working in the area, shall be welcome to attend some meetings, but shall not have voting rights. Membership shall be free.

4. **Management**

- a) The Association shall be managed by a Committee to be elected annually from volunteers, resident in the Area at the Annual General Meeting.
- b) The Committee shall consist of a Chairperson and Secretary; other officer positions can be created. A Treasurer post will be created if monies are raised.
- c) If vacancies occur among the Committee, the Committee shall have the power to fill them from among their Association members, until the next General Meeting of the Association when elections for vacancies should take place.

5. **Annual General Meetings**

- a) The Committee shall call an Annual General Meeting at a time and place determined by the Committee for the purposes of
 - receiving the Annual Report of the Committee and the Statement of Accounts
 - reading, amending and approving the minutes of the last meeting
 - accepting the resignations of Committee members
 - electing members of the Committee for the coming year
 - making recommendations to the Committee and voting, where necessary, to amend the Constitution

- dealing with any other relevant business.
- b) Not less than 14 days notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be given to all those eligible for membership.
- c) Annual General Meetings shall not be less than 9 months or more than 15 months apart.
- d) A motion shall be carried by a majority vote of those members present. A minimum of three Committee members and two other members of BRAG are required for these motions to be accepted.

6. General Meetings

When deemed necessary by the Committee, interim General Meetings shall be called between Annual General Meetings, either for the purpose of altering the Constitution or for considering any matters which the Committee may decide should be referred to the members in general. Rules concerning their management shall be the same as for Annual General Meetings.

7. Finance

- a) All monies raised by or on behalf of the Association shall be applied to further the aims of the Association and for no other purpose.
- b) If monies are raised, the Treasurer shall keep proper accounts of the finances of the Association and shall open a bank account in the name of the Association.
- c) If monies have been raised, the Treasurer should present to each Annual General Meeting a written account of the finances of the Association showing its income, expenditure and balances.

8. Dissolution

If the Committee, by a simple majority, decide at any time to dissolve the Association, they shall give at least 21 days' notice of a meeting to all those eligible for membership. If such a decision shall be confirmed by a simple majority of those present and voting at the meeting, the Committee shall have the power to dispose of any assets held by, or in the name of, the Association to a local charity.

Signed



Nichola Coates
Chair, BRAG

Inaugural meeting held on 26th May 2016