

CONSTITUTION OF THE BLACKET ASSOCIATION

(as amended at the Annual General Meeting on 19 November 1990)

Name:

The name of the Association shall be The Blacket Association.

Objects:

The objects of the Association shall be the conservation and improvement of the general amenity of the area comprising Blacket Place, Blacket Avenue, Dryden Place, Mayfield Terrace, Alfred Place and the properties therein with a view to preserving the architectural attractions, gardens, and residential character of the neighbourhood and its surroundings; to encourage a public awareness and a responsible attitude towards such amenity attractions and character; to co-operate with relevant local authorities and other bodies who may have an interest in said area and by whom or with whose assistance or interest the objects of this Association may be furthered; and generally to act in all matters affecting the area, impinging on its surroundings and the interests of the residents in such area.

Membership:

Membership shall be open to all who are resident in said area, owners of property in said area not resident there, and also such other persons interested in the aims of the association who shall be approved by the Committee.

Office-Bearers and Committee:

The Office-Bearers of the Association shall consist of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer. The Committee shall consist of the Office-Bearers and not more than seven further elected members, insofar as possible representatives of the said streets. The Office-Bearers and other Committee members shall be elected to serve for three years at a time, but only one-third of the Committee, as near as may be, shall relinquish office each year. Retiring Office-Bearers and Committee members shall be eligible for re-election.

In addition to the members so elected the Committee may co-opt up to three further members, provided that the number of co-opted members shall not exceed one-third of the total committee at the time of co-option. Co-opted members shall be entitled to vote at meetings of the Committee.

Any casual vacancy on the Committee may be filled by the Committee and any person appointed to fill such a casual vacancy shall hold office until the next AGM and be eligible for election at that meeting.

The Committee shall be responsible for running the affairs of the Association and may take decisions on its behalf in accordance with the wishes expressed by General Meetings.

Expenses of Administration:

The Committee shall, out of monies received by the Association, pay all proper expenses of administration and management of the Association and shall use the residue of such monies as it thinks fit for or towards the objects of the Association.

Subscription:

The subscription shall be as may be determined by the Association and shall be levied per household per annum.

Meetings:

An Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held in or about October of each year to receive the Committee's report and accounts and to elect Office-Bearers and members of the Committee. Other special meetings of the Association may be called by the Secretary at the request of not less than 10 members of the Association provided that not less than 10 days' notice be given.

Amendments:

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority of members present at an Annual General Meeting or Special Meeting provided that 10 days' notice of the proposed amendment has been given, and that not less than 25 members are present and provided that nothing herein contained shall authorise any amendment permitting the expenditure of funds of the Association on any object which is not charitable.

Dissolution:

If the Committee by a simple majority decide at any time that it is necessary or advisable to dissolve the Association, it shall call a Special Meeting of the Association, of which meeting not less than 21 days' notice, stating the terms of the resolution to be proposed thereat, shall be given. If such a decision shall be confirmed by a two-thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote, and voting at such meeting, the Committee shall have power to dispose of any assets held by or on behalf of the Association. Any assets remaining after the satisfaction of any proper debts and liabilities shall be given or transferred to such other charitable organisation or organisations having objects similar to the objects of the Association, as the Committee may determine.