

CONSTITUTION OF THE TOOTING COMMONS MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. OBJECTS

To monitor, in conjunction with the Chief Parks Officer, the Management Plan for Tooting Commons; to help to achieve a balance between facilities for formal and informal open air recreation on the Commons, the protection and development of plant and animal life, to retain and enhance its natural character and to promote public interest and participation in the protection and appreciation of the Commons, to raise funds in order to make other positive contributions to the Commons amenities and to raise awareness of the Commons and the work of this Committee.

2. DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The role of the Committee is to:

- a) Advise on all matters relating to the Commons¹, with special reference to the Management Plan for the Commons”.
- b) Advise on the organisation of special events on the commons.
- c) Advise on strategies, plans, developments and actions affecting the commons

3. COMMITTEE

The Committee shall:

- a) shall consist of 24 members who shall be local residents², and/or representatives from local societies, clubs or groups;
- b) between Annual Public Meetings is empowered to fill any vacancies on the Committee;
- c) may co-opt experts to advise in a non-voting capacity.

4. ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING

- a) The Committee shall convene a public meeting by no later than the 30th June each year and will advertise it at least two weeks beforehand.
- b) All members of the Committee shall present themselves for re-election at the Annual Public Meeting.

5. COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- a) The Committee shall meet at least three times a year.

¹ For the avoidance of doubt, “Commons” includes Woodfield Recreation Ground and other areas traditionally maintained and managed as part of Tooting Common.

² The term “local residents” should be interpreted as meaning “people who live close enough to the Commons to be able to regularly use them, enjoy their amenities and have a concern for their welfare

- b) The Committee shall elect a Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary who shall hold office, unless removed by resignation or resolution of the Committee, until the start of the first Committee meeting following the next Annual Public Meeting
- c) Voting. All questions requiring a vote shall be decided by a simple majority of those present and voting.
- d) Quorum. Seven members shall form a quorum.
- e) A minute book shall be kept by the Secretary recording all the proceedings and recommendations and a copy of the minutes shall be forwarded to the Director of Leisure and Amenity Services and each member of the Committee following each meeting.
- f) The Committee may set up Sub-Committees
- g) The Council shall provide the Committee with administrative support as necessary.

6. ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION

Alterations to this constitution may only be made with the approval of the Council on the recommendation of the Annual Public Meeting.

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