



THE ICKNIELD WAY ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

1. Name

The name of the organisation shall be 'The Icknield Way Association'.

2. Aims

The aims of the Association shall be as follows, in so far as these aims are charitable in law:

- a) To urge the official adoption of and completion of the Icknield Way as a National Trail linking the existing Ridgeway and Peddars Way National Trails
- b) To promote and publicise the use of the Way and its amenities for the benefit of walkers
- c) To promote a body of informed opinion that will improve the enjoyment and knowledge of the Icknield Way

3. Organisation

The Association shall be composed of individual members and affiliated organisations. It shall not affiliate to any political party and it shall be non-sectarian.

4. Membership

Membership shall be open to:

- a) Individual members who shall have voting rights
- b) Local and national organisations who may affiliate to the Association but who shall not have voting rights

Each member shall receive such benefits from time to time as are decided by the Executive Committee. Any person ceasing to be a member shall have no further rights or claims upon the Association, its property or funds.

5. Officers

The officers shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary, Public Relations Officer and Newsletter Editor. All officers and committee members shall be honorary and unpaid and elected annually by the Annual General Meeting.

6. Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers and not more than seven other members. Up to three additional members may be co-opted. A quorum shall consist of five members.

The Executive Committee shall:

- a) Exercise all powers of association
- b) Keep records, accounts and audits including a register of all members
- c) Decide the procedure for fixing membership fees
- d) Authorise payment of expenses
- e) Arrange the conduct of the Annual General Meetings, Extra-ordinary General Meetings and the meetings and duties of the Executive Committee
- f) Compile publications as necessary for sale and ensure that a guide to the Icknield Way is maintained
- g) Determine the procedure for excluding a member if necessary

7. The Annual General Meeting

Twenty eight days written notice shall be given of the Annual General Meeting which shall be held not later than the 1st day of November each year in order to transact the following business:

- a) To receive the Executive Committee Annual Report
- b) To receive a report of the Accounts
- c) To elect the Executive Committee for the following year (Officers or members may be elected in their absence having given their written consent.)
- d) To appoint an auditor
- e) To receive motions
- f) To amend the constitution provided that:
 - i) notice of any proposed amendment is given to the membership at least fourteen days before the Annual General Meeting
 - ii) two thirds of those present and voting agree to the amendment
- g) To transact any other business

8. An Extra-ordinary General Meeting

At the written request of fifty paid up members, or a third of the membership, whichever is the less, the Executive Committee shall arrange forthwith an Extra-ordinary General Meeting for which twenty-eight days written notice shall be given.

9. Any point not included within this Constitution will be decided by the Executive Committee.

Agreed at the AGM on 13th October 2012