

CONSTITUTION

A NAME

The group's name is The Garth Hillside Organic Garden (TGHOOG)

B THE PURPOSES OF THE GROUP ARE :-

- To create a sustainable, organic, community garden;
- To welcome all volunteers and enable them to develop their skills;
- For local people to have access to high quality organic food they have helped grow themselves;
- To develop the project using permaculture principles thus balancing and evolving vegetable and fruit garden with conservation of the site;
- To monitor the progress of flora and fauna and aim to increase biodiversity;
- To develop the project, and the team, as an important environmental education resource, both on-site and off.

C CARRYING OUT THE PURPOSES

In order to carry out the purposes, the Committee has the power to: -

- (1) raise funds, receive grants and donations
- (2) buy or sell property, take on leases and employ staff
- (3) co-operate with and support other groups with similar purposes
- (4) do anything else within the law which is necessary to achieve the purposes

D MEMBERSHIP

The Committee may admit to membership anybody aged 18 and over who supports the purposes of the group. People who wish to become a member should apply to the Committee. Membership costs £5 annually per adult, for the year running from April 1st to March 31st and may be renewed. The Committee will keep an up to date membership list.

The Committee may expel someone from membership, provided it is in the best interest of the group to do so, and they are given the right to be heard by the Committee before the decision is made. They can be accompanied by a friend.

E ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - AGM

- (1) The AGM must be held every year, with 14 days notice given to all members telling them what is on the agenda.
- (2) There must be at least 25% of members present at the AGM.
- (3) The Committee shall present the annual report and accounts.
- (4) Any member may put themselves forward for election as a Committee member at the AGM.
- (5) Every member has one vote.
- (6) Members shall elect between 3 and 10 members to the Committee. They will retire at the next AGM and may stand for re-election.

