

CONSTITUTION OF TRANSITION HORSHAM

1. The Constituted Organisation, 'Transition Horsham', reflects the aims of the Transition Towns movement: Namely to:
 - 1) Publicise, within the community of Horsham and surrounding villages, the issues around climate change, peak oil, and sustainability;
 - 2) Promote the transition of our community to one that is less reliant on oil; has a smaller carbon footprint; reduces climate change; and is more resilient to increasing energy prices;
 - 3) Encourage, support and collaborate with related initiatives throughout the District of Horsham.

2. To pursue this, Transition Horsham shall be;
 - a) arranging meetings, research, groups, dissemination of information, consultation, and planning;
 - b) supporting and furthering activities by other organisations with similar aims;
 - c) a not-for-profit organisation holding funds in appropriate accounts in the name of Transition Horsham. Cheques will be signed by any two of the Steering Group designated below;
 - d) open for Membership to any individual, group or organisation whose commitment to the aims has been recognised in writing by the Steering Group. Recognition should be refreshed annually and may be withdrawn by the Steering Group in extremis;
 - e) administered and represented by a Steering Group of at least 3 Members, which group is maintained and augmented by nomination, co-option and election as appropriate to the circumstances. Those members who have signed below are the responsible Steering Group at the date of inception;
 - f) recognising the duty of the Steering Group to administer and represent the group properly, and the responsibility of the Membership of holding the Steering group to account;
 - g) holding meetings which are normally open to all comers. The formal business of the Steering Group will be open to Member's scrutiny. Closed meetings may be organised at request of Members by simple majority vote.
 - h) controlled by the Members by vote, by default a show of hands or other method at Members' request. Votes carried by a simple majority of the recognised members shall be binding on the Steering Group;
 - i) governed by this Constitution, which can be amended by agreement of more than three quarters of Members;
 - j) dissolved by the Steering Group when the aims of the group are achieved, or if the number of members willing to run the Steering Group falls below three, or when associated groups are sufficient to carry forward the aims. Residual funds will be transferred to a local charitable organisation having similar aims.

3. Adopted by the Steering Group on the _____ by the Signatories overleaf.

TRANSITION HORSHAM Steering Group

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