



## **Buckingham, Hamilton and Ruskin Association**

### **Constitution (Revised and adopted February 2019)**

1. The Association shall be called the *Buckingham, Hamilton and Ruskin Association*.
2. The aims of the Association shall be to promote a sense of community and to preserve and improve the local amenity of the area.
3. Those eligible for membership shall be owners, tenants and landlords of Buckingham Street, Buckingham Terrace, Hamilton Drive, Hamilton Gardens, Hamilton Park Avenue, Ruskin Terrace, Ruskin Place, Ruskin Lane and Queen Margaret Drive between Hamilton Drive and Great Western Road, together with their families. At the discretion of the Association others may be invited to join provided that their aims coincide with those of the Association.
4. The affairs of the Association shall be conducted by a committee which will normally have 9 members, including a Convenor, Vice-Convenor, Treasurer and Membership Secretary. Committee members must be fit and proper persons. Nominations for committee members shall be received by the Vice-Convenor. Members of the committee shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting of the Association. At the first meeting of the committee after the AGM the office bearers will be elected. The committee shall have the power to co-opt additional members. The quorum at committee meetings shall be 5. Members of the committee can serve for up to a maximum of 6 consecutive years. No one can serve as Convenor for more than 3 consecutive years. Each year one third of the committee shall stand down, but committee members can stand for re-election, subject to the length-of- service rules.
5. There shall be an annual subscription, the amount of which will be determined by the committee members and announced at the AGM. Members who join at or after an AGM will have membership for the following calendar year, unless they become ineligible for membership in the course of the year. Membership dues are not refundable. Money shall be held in a cheque account; authorised signatories will include the Treasurer, Convenor and Membership Secretary. Cheques will require two authorised signatures.
6. The financial year of the Association shall end on 30 September, and the Annual General Meeting must be held within 3 months of that date. Additional General Meetings can be called by the committee or by 20 members of the association. The quorum at a General Meeting shall be 15 members. Only members will be entitled to vote at General Meetings. Normally there will be one vote per postal address. No one under the age of 16 will be eligible to vote.
7. Any alteration to the Constitution must be approved at a General Meeting by a two-thirds majority of those members present. Fourteen days' notice must be given for a General Meeting.
8. In the event of the Association being wound up all monies accumulated and belonging to the Association shall be disposed of by a resolution of a General Meeting to a body or bodies with similar aims to those of this Association.