



CONSTITUTION OF THE VALE OF LLANGOLLEN CANAL BOAT TRUST **(CANAL BOATS FOR DISABLED AND DISADVANTAGED PEOPLE)**

1. NAME: The name of the Trust shall be:
The Vale of Llangollen Canal Boat Trust
(Canal Boats for Disabled and Disadvantaged People).

2. OBJECTS:

The objects of the Trust shall be:

- (a) To provide facilities for leisure time, recreation and education for physical or mentally disabled children and adults, and people disadvantaged through circumstances or age, with the object of improving life for the said persons.
- (b) In furtherance of (a) above, to raise funds to purchase, operate and maintain one or more canal narrow boats.

3. MANAGEMENT:

- (a) The Trust shall be managed by an Executive Committee comprising of the Trustees, Honorary Officers elected at the AGM (Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer) and such other officers as the Executive Committee may from time determine and others who may be co-opted by the Trustees as required. The Chairman of the Trust may seek re-election after two years in office and must retire after 5 years in office.
- (b) All questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a two thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote. In the case of equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.
- (c) If vacancies occur among the officers, or other members of the Executive Committee, the Executive Committee shall have the power to fill them and to co-opt others to make up numbers.
- (d) One third of the members of the Executive Committee constitute a quorum for it.
- (e) Minutes shall be kept by the Trust's Executive Committee and the Secretary shall keep a record of all proceedings and resolutions.

4. AGM:

The Executive Committee shall arrange an Annual General Meeting to take place once in each year. The purpose shall be:

- (a) To receive the Annual Report and independently examined or audited Statement of Accounts as required by the Charity Commission.
- (b) To accept the resignation of the Committee.
- (c) To elect a new Committee.

(d) To appoint suitable persons to independently examine/audit the Statement of Accounts and, if necessary, to vote on proposals to amend the Constitution.
At least 7 days notice of the AGM is to be given to all members of the Committee.

5. FINANCE:

- (a) All monies raised by, or on behalf of, the Trust shall be applied to further objects of the Trust and for no other purpose.
- (b) The Treasurer shall keep proper accounts of the finances of the Trust and shall open a Bank Account in its name.
- (c) The Accounts shall be independently examined or audited as required by the Charity Commission annually.
- (d) At least two members of the Executive Committee to sign every cheque (as designated on the Bank Mandate).

6. AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION:

Any resolution for the amendment of the Constitution must be received by the Secretary at least 28 days before the AGM or Special General Meeting. The alteration of the Constitution requires the approval of a two thirds majority of those present at the AGM or Special General Meeting.

7. DISSOLUTION:

If at any time a majority of the Executive Committee decides that it is advisable to dissolve the Trust, it shall call a meeting of all members of the Executive Committee stating the proposed resolution. A simple majority at such a meeting shall confirm such a decision. Any equipment and/or monies left after settlement of debts shall be donated to an organisation or project with similar objectives.

The Constitution was adopted at the AGM held on 20th May, 2024

Signed: President

Colin L Burman

Signed:..... Chairman

Tom Lewis

Signed:..... Treasurer

Stanley Crabtree