

CONSTITUTION OF LEITH HILL ACTION GROUP

as an unincorporated association – adopted 20th March 2009

Name

1. The name of the group shall be Leith Hill Action Group (hereinafter called LHAG)

Objects

2. The objects of LHAG shall be, for the benefit of the more than 600,000 visitors who visit the Leith Hill area of the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty each year, and for the benefit of residents of Coldharbour, Dorking and surrounding areas:
 - 2.1 to prevent the use of Bury Hill Wood, Coldharbour as a surface site for oil and/or gas exploration;
 - 2.2 in the event that the first object is defeated, to campaign for planning conditions which will minimise the impact of such development;
 - 2.3 in the event that the first object is defeated, to prevent the use of the site as an oil and/or gas appraisal or production wellhead;
 - 2.4 to conserve the physical and natural environment and its natural beauty in and around the Leith Hill area of the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Committee

3. LHAG shall be run by a committee nominated from within the group. New members will be voted onto the committee by the existing committee members by simple majority. The committee shall consist of no less than four (4) and no more than ten (10) members.
4. Committee members shall elect from within their numbers a Chairperson, a Treasurer and a Secretary.
5. The committee shall meet at the call of the Chair and in any case not less than once in every three months. A quorum for committee meetings shall be four (4).

Finance

6. LHAG shall be non-profit making, and all monies raised shall be used to further the objectives of the group and for no other purpose, except as provided at Clause 8 below.
7. The Treasurer shall keep proper accounts of the finances and shall open and operate a bank account in the name of LHAG.

Dissolution

8. The committee may decide at any time by two thirds majority to dissolve LHAG on the grounds that objective 2.1 has been substantially achieved, on the grounds of expense, or for any other reason. Upon dissolution, in the event that there are funds remaining, donors whose names and addresses have been recorded, and who remain resident at that address, shall be offered the return of a proportion of their donation equal to total funds remaining divided by total donations received (subject to a cap of 100%), provided such proportional amount exceeds £10. Following that, all remaining monies will be given to another non-profit group whose objectives include an objective similar to objective 2.4. ("Donors" are individuals or organisations who have provided funds to LHAG other than in exchange for goods or services.)