

# **FRIENDS OF ETON GROVE PARK**

## **CONSTITUTION**

### **NAME**

1. The Name of the association shall be "Friends of Eton Grove Park" hereafter called "The Group"

### **AIMS**

#### **The Friends of Eton Grove Park aim to:**

1. Create a secure environment in which everyone can enjoy the benefits of the Park facilities. This is to be achieved through liaison with the residents, Community Police support officers, council officers and any other relevant bodies.
2. Enable and encourage informal and formal activities within The Park for those of all ages who live and work in the Queensbury neighbourhood.
3. Work in partnership with Brent Council Parks and Leisure Department and (Whilst Recognising that the ultimate responsibility for funding lies with the Council) Identifying other funding sources to secure an adequate level of Resources to Meet local needs; ensure that all developments, activities and Uses of The Park are carried out in such a way as to encourage and promote Environmental Sensitivity.
4. Encourage and promote good environmental practice.
5. Establish an acceptable balance between the needs of dog owners and the Needs of other park users.

### **AREA OF BENEFIT**

1. The area of benefit of The Group shall be the Queensbury Ward.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

1. Membership shall be open to all Queensbury residents interested in actively Furthering the aims of The Group. Business and Trade members shall be such Societies, associations; educational institutions or businesses that are Interested in actively furthering the needs of the group, provided that they have completed an application form and have paid the appropriate membership fee.
2. Current Membership for Queensbury Residents has been agreed to be £1.50 Per person. Business, Trade and associations membership fee has been agreed to be £15.00. Membership fees will cover cost of printing, stationary maintaining our web site and any related costs.

3. All communication with members will be by email to reduce costs, unless Members do not have access to email facilities in this case they will receive Communication posted through their letter box.

## **MEETINGS**

The inaugural Meeting was held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2008 which will be followed by an Annual Meeting in or about 7<sup>th</sup> of April of subsequent years.

There will be a minimum of four ordinary meetings of The Group each year, the timing of which will be decided by the Executive Committee. Special Meetings of The Group shall be held at the written request of 25 per cent or more members or by the Officers of The Group.

## **OFFICERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Nomination for the election of officer shall be made in writing to the Secretary at least 7 days before the Annual General Meeting. To be valid a nomination must be of a member of The Group who is resident of the local Queensbury Ward neighbourhood, their nomination must be proposed and seconded by other members of The Group and the consent of the nominee must be obtained.

If there is no nomination for a particular post received 7 days before the Annual General Meeting nominations shall be accepted from the floor of that meeting. Nominees for election as officers of Executive Committee members shall declare at the meeting of which their election is to be considered any financial or professional interest known or likely to be of concern to The Group.

The Officers of the Executive Committee consist of:

Chair – Jayanti Patel  
Secretary – Councillor Kanta Mistry  
Treasurer - Kantilal Mistry  
Community/Parks Advisor – Brian Murphy  
Public Relations – Kamlesh Jadeja  
Membership co-ordinator – Krunal Thakkar  
Events/Projects co-ordinator – Jayraj Jadeja  
Grants Development – Dipak Kansagra

All of who shall relinquish their office every three years and shall be eligible for re-election at the Annual General Meeting, The Executive Committee shall have the power to fill casual vacancies occurring among the Officers from the membership of The Group.

The Executive Committee shall have the power to co-opt further members who shall attend in an advisory and no-voting capacity. In the event of equality in the votes cast at a meeting of the Executive Committee the motion will fall.

### **BANK ACCOUNT AND EXPENSES**

A Bank account will be opened for The Group with HSBC Bank in Kingsbury where Membership fees will be deposited. The Executive Committee shall, out of the funds of The Group, pay all proper expenses of administration and management of The Group.

After the payment of the administration and management expenses and the setting aside to reserve of such sums as may be deemed expedient, the remaining funds of The Group shall be applied by the Executive Committee in furtherance of the purposes of The Group.

### **AMENDMENTS**

This constitution may be amended by a 2/3rds majority of executive committee voting at a Special Meeting of The Group confirmed by a simple majority of members voting providing that the majority of those present and voting are residents of the local Queensbury ward neighbourhood.

Adopted by:

**Name:** Kanta Mistry

**Committee Role:** Secretary

**Date:** 7<sup>th</sup> June 2008