

CONSTITUTION

1. NAME OF GROUP

The name of the group will be "WAG" (Women at the Gregson).

2. AIMS

The aims of the group will be:

- (a) To provide a forum for women to meet on a regular basis to discuss issues and topics which affect their lives.
- (b) To promote and support equal opportunities for women locally, nationally and internationally.
- (c) To organise events that enhance the social, artistic, educational, health and well-being needs of women.
- (d) To bring together women from different cultures and backgrounds to raise awareness and understanding of each others lives.

3. POWERS

To further its aims the group will have the power to:

- (a) Obtain, collect and receive money or funds by way of contributions, donations, grants and any other lawful methods of fundraising:
- (b) To co-operate with other community groups, charities and voluntary organisations operating in furtherance of similar aims or purposes, and to exchange advice and information with them.
- (c) Do all such lawful things as will further the aims of the group.

4. MEMBERSHIP

- (a) Membership will be open to all women within the Lancaster District, regardless of age, class, sexuality, ethnicity, faith, political beliefs or disability.
- (b) All members will have the right to participate in decision making by attendance at monthly meetings.

5. MANAGEMENT

- (a) Management of the group will be the responsibility of all members and the group will be managed according to collective principles.
- (b) There will be no designated Chair and Secretary but, where appropriate and necessary, these roles will rotate among members.
- (c) A Treasurer will be appointed to manage the finances of the group.
- (d) A record of meetings, decisions and transactions will be kept.

6. **FINANCES**

- (a) The funds of the group, including all donations, contributions and bequests, shall be paid into a bank account operated by the group.
- (b) Four members of the group will act as signatories. All cheques drawn on the account must be signed by at least two of the signatories.
- (c) The funds belonging to the group will only be used to further the aims of the group.
- (d) An up-to-date record of all income and expenditure will be kept.

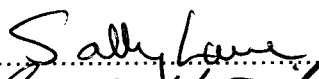
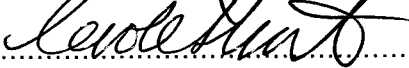



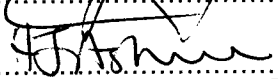
7. **MEETINGS**

- (a) The group will meet at least nine times a year.
- (b) A minimum of 4 members must be present at meetings to enable the business of the group to be carried out and to make decisions.
- (c) A Special General Meeting may be called at any time at the request of not less than 4 members. A notice giving the date, time, place and reason for the meeting will be sent to all members three weeks in advance.
- (d) Proposals to change the constitution must be given to all members, in writing, at least 28 days before a meeting and approved by a two thirds majority of those present.

8. **DISSOLUTION**

- (a) The group may be dissolved by a resolution passed by a simple two thirds majority of those present at a meeting.
- (b) After payment of all bills, any assets remaining shall be distributed to other charitable groups or organisations having similar aims to the group, or to other charitable purposes as the group may decide.

Signed on 21st August 2009:

	Sally Laver
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