

Onslow Gardens Residents' Association (OGRES)

Constitution

1. The name of the Association shall be the "Onslow Gardens Residents' Association".
2. The objects of the Association shall be the protection of the collective welfare of the residents and the furtherance of their communal and social interests.
3. Membership of the Association shall be open to residents of Onslow Gardens and all the roads radiating from it.
4. The Annual General Meeting shall be held during the second quarter of the year, when reports and audited accounts shall be presented. Twenty-one days' notice shall be given of all General Meetings. Special General Meetings shall be called on receipt by the Hon. Secretary of a requisition signed by seven members, or when called by the Committee.
5. Voting rights of members are in respect of each household and the payment of a subscription entitles that householder to a vote.
6. At a General Meeting 15 households shall form a quorum.
7. Members wishing to have motions included on the agenda of a General Meeting must submit them to the Hon. Secretary fourteen days before the meeting.
8. The Committee of the Association shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and the management of the Association's affairs shall be vested in the Committee.
9. The officers of the Association shall consist of: Chairman; Vice Chairman; Hon. Secretary; and Hon. Treasurer. There shall be at least 4 other Committee members.
10. A quorum for a Committee meeting shall consist of one Officer and 5 others (Committee members or Officers).
11. The Committee shall have the powers of co-option.

12. Members of the Association, not being officers or members of the committee, may attend meetings of the committee as observers but shall not have voting rights.

13. The Hon. Secretary shall keep an accurate record of proceedings of the Association and attendance of Officers and Committee members at meetings.

14. The Hon. Treasurer shall keep proper accounts of the finances of the Association and report to the Committee as required by its Members. The accounts shall be audited at least once a year by an auditor who shall be appointed by the Committee.

15. Two Members of the Committee shall resign each year and will not be eligible for re-election in the subsequent year. Officers may not hold the same post for more than 4 consecutive years.

16. The amount of annual subscription for the ensuing year shall be determined at the Annual General Meeting. Residents whose subscription is unpaid at the end of the Association's year shall be automatically regarded as having lapsed their membership. The Association's subscription year shall run from 1 June to 31 May of the following year.

17. The funds of the Association shall be deposited in an account in the name of the Association, with a bank or building society branch in Wallington as agreed by a vote of the Committee. All monies received shall be passed through this account.

18. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Hon. Secretary and the Hon. Treasurer shall be authorised to withdraw funds, 2 signatures being required.

19. The Association shall be run on a non-profit making basis. In the event of the Association winding up any funds remaining, after all expenditure has been met shall be passed to a local charity selected by the Committee.

20. Alterations to these rules shall be made only at an Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose. Such alterations can be made or carried out only by a majority of at least two thirds of those present and voting at the meeting.

21. The committee shall have the power to decide any matters not otherwise provided for in these Rules. Any matters so decided shall be ratified at the next General Meeting.