

# **LAMBETH PENSIONERS ACTION GROUP**

## **Constitution amended and agreed**

### **September 2010**

1. The title of the organisation shall be "LAMBETH PENSIONERS ACTION GROUP" (LAMPAG).
2. The group will operate within the boundaries of the London Borough of Lambeth and shall meet once a month. Members will be informed by means of a monthly letter.
3. The aim and object of the Group shall be to act to maintain and improve the position of pensioners, independently and in conjunction with other organisations with similar objectives.
4. Membership shall be open to all pensioners without discrimination, subject to and in accordance with the Constitution, and on payment of an annual subscription, the amount to be agreed at the AGM and to cover the year from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March the following year.
5. The AGM shall be on the third Monday in March, or within a month on either side of that date.
6. At the AGM a committee of officers and members shall be elected from those nominated, seconded and known to be willing to serve. The officers shall include the Chairperson, Vice Chair, Secretary, Minutes Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Secretary. It will meet once a month. The committee will have powers of co-option.
7. In the event of an officer or committee member not attending committee meetings for three consecutive months, that officer or committee member will be regarded as having resigned. Members will be notified in writing not more than two weeks following that third committee meeting. The election of a replacement officer or committee member will then be the subject of consideration at the next Open Meeting following that third committee meeting.
8. Amendments to the Constitution shall only be made at the AGM or by calling a General Meeting giving 21 days notice and outlining the recommended changes.
9. Amendments to the constitution will be made by a majority vote of at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  membership.
10. Adequate records of proceedings at monthly meetings, including details of all resolutions shall be kept by the Minute Secretary. Detailed Minutes of Committee meetings shall be kept.
11. Accounts kept by the Treasurer shall be subject to annual audit conducted by competent persons authorized by the Committee. Annual Accounts shall be presented to the membership of the AGM.
12. Members of the committee shall not receive any money or property from the group except to refund reasonable out of pocket expenses.
13. Regular reports shall be given by officers at Open Meetings.
14. An Honorary President may be appointed should the AGM so decided. Such a person should be known to have associations and sympathy with the pensioner movement. Vice-Presidents with similar appropriate credential may also be appointed, subject to the recorded approval of members at an AGM.
15. Dissolution of the organisation will be made by a resolution passed by two thirds of those present and voting at a special General Meeting. On dissolution of the group, any money or property remaining after debts have been paid will be given to a group with similar objectives to this one and determined by voting members at the General Meeting.