

Rules of

LAMMAS LOW IMPACT INITIATIVES LIMITED

(Registered under the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts 1965-1978)

NAME

1. The name of the Society shall be Lammas Low Impact Initiatives Limited.

OBJECTS

2. The objects of the Society shall be to carry on any trade, industry or business for the benefit of the community by establishing a flourishing network of low impact projects working together to promote the principles of sustainability, biodiversity and environmentally conscious living.

MISSION STATEMENT

3. The Society shall develop, research, promote, demonstrate and educate as to how low impact development can play a valuable role in the move forward toward a more sustainable society.

POWERS

4. The Society shall have power to do all things necessary or expedient for the fulfilment of its objects provided that, in carrying out its objects, the Society shall promote equality of opportunity for all sections of the community in its own affairs and in society generally.

REGISTERED OFFICE

5. The Registered Office of the Society shall be at:

Bronallt Llangeitho Tregaron Ceredigion SY25 6QX.

MEMBERSHIP

6. The first members of the Society shall be the signatories to the application for registration (the "Founder Members"). The Committee may at its discretion admit to membership any person or corporate body or the nominee of any unincorporated organisation who or which supports the objects of the Society. Applications for membership shall be in such form as the Committee may from time to time direct and shall contain an application for at least one share in the Society. Any such form may provide that a member may specify an email address which shall be used by the Society for any communication required by these rules to be sent to members. Any member specifying an email address in this way shall notify the Society of any change to this email address.
7. A person who qualifies under rule 6 above may apply for membership to the Committee, and upon acceptance and the payment of £50.00 or multiples thereof up to a limit as provided by the Act the Society shall issue to her/him/it one share certificate for each £50.00 paid and shall enter her/his/its name in the register of members. The Committee may refuse any application for membership at its absolute discretion.
8. The Society shall keep at its registered office a register of members in which the Secretary shall enter the following particulars:

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- (a) the name and address, and email address if applicable, of every member;
- (b) a statement of the shareholding of each member;
- (c) a statement of other property, whether in loans or otherwise, held by each member;
- (d) the date on which each member's name was entered in the register as a member and the date on which any member ceased to be a member;
- (e) the names and addresses, and email and web-site addresses if applicable, of the Committee members and officers of the Society, of the offices held by them respectively, and the dates on which they assumed and vacated office.

9. A copy of these rules and any amendments made to them shall be given free of charge to every member upon admission to membership and shall be provided to any other person on demand and on payment of the statutory fee chargeable for the time being in force.

CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

10. A member shall cease to be a member if s/he or it:
- (a) resigns in writing to the Secretary; or
 - (b) is expelled from membership in accordance with rule 11; or
 - (c) is the nominee of an unincorporated organisation and that organisation replaces her/him as its nominee or is wound up; or
 - (d) being an individual, dies; or
 - (e) being a corporate body, is wound up or goes into liquidation.
- In the event of an individual who is the nominee of an unincorporated organisation ceasing to be a member under clauses (a), (b) or (d) of this rule, the nominating organisation may with the express consent of the Committee nominate another individual to membership in her/his place.
11. A member may be expelled for conduct prejudicial to the Society by a resolution carried by a majority of at least two-thirds of those members voting at a General Meeting of the Society of which due notice has been given, provided that the grounds for expulsion have been specified in the notices calling the meeting and that the member whose expulsion is to be considered shall be given the opportunity to state her/his/its case to the meeting. If on due notice having been served the member fails to attend the meeting the meeting may proceed in the member's absence.
12. No member expelled from membership shall be re-admitted except by a resolution carried by a majority of at least two-thirds of those members voting at a General Meeting of which due notice has been given.

TRANSFER OF ENGAGEMENTS AND AMALGAMATION

13. The Society may, by special resolution passed in the way required by the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts, amalgamate with or transfer its engagements to any other society. The Society may also accept a transfer of engagements and assets by resolution of the Committee or of a meeting of members.
14. The Society may, by special resolution passed in the way required by the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts, amalgamate with or transfer its engagements to a company or convert itself into a company under the Companies Acts. In relation to calling a meeting of members for the purpose of such resolution, the following provisions shall apply.
- (a) The Society shall give to members not less than two months' notice of the meeting.
 - (b) The notice shall be accompanied by a separate statement setting out for members:
 - (i) the reasons for the proposal;
 - (ii) whether the proposal has the support of the Committee of the Society;