# The Cardiff Hackney Association.

(1) Commonly known as Cardiff Hackney Association, was officially formed by Small number of drivers in early 80s.

#### THE CONSTITUTION.

(2) This Constitution was first compiled in July 2000. It was subsequently Amended in Compliance with the Companies house Acts 1985- 2007 in July 2008 at a Extraordinary General Meeting.

The Memorandum or Articles of the Association are as follows:

- (3) THE TITLE: The Association shall be called the Cardiff hackney association and Cardiff Carriage Driver's Association Limited.
- (4) THE OBJECTS: The object of the Association is to protect the collective membership of the Association and to uphold the name and the reputation of the Association. The Association through its Management committee shall have the following powers: To act, at all times, to promote the aims and objectives of the Association.
- (5) To employ the services of legal representatives for any cause, the management committee deem fit, to perform all such other tasks and duties so as to further the aims and objectives of the Association.
  - (6) The Association shall consist of fully paid up members and may\_also include as life Members such other person(s) as shall have rendered special services to the Association.
- (7) Members of the Association may have a copy of these rules on request provided that the said member pays the set fee of £25.00 per copy.

## THE MANAGEMENT:

(8) The Association shall be managed by a Management Committee consisting of the following officers: Chairman, Vice-chairman, Treasurer Assistant Treasurer, joint Secretary, Press secretary, three signatories for bank accounts, and three trustees. The Chairman shall have executive power to make decisions which he deem fit for the welfare of the Association and may co-opt any other person(s) (who shall have full voting powers) to full fill any vacancy that may arise; or for any other purpose required by the management committee.

- (9) The names of the candidates for the Management Committee shall be sent to the secretary or the chairman in writing at least 7 days prior to the Quinquennial general meeting and if more names are proposed then the number required to fill the vacancies and sufficient names are not withdrawn at or before such Meeting, the election shall be by ballot at such meeting. If all the beforementioned positions shall not be filled at such meeting or any casual vacancy shall there after occur, the same shall be filled by the remaining members of the management committee.
- (10) The positions of the officers i.e. (Charirman, secretary, press secretary and treasurer) must be determined by the delegates elected by the general members of the Association at a executive committee meeting within 14 days after the general meeting.
- (11)The management committee (Including the officers) shall retire at quinquennially meeting or at any time they wish to with a written notice, but shall be eligible for re-election.

# Ability of candidates for Membership:

(12) Membership shall be open to all communities, those having sympathy with the aims and objectives of the Association and are Hackney Carriage driver, and are desiring actively to further its aim and objectives and to pay the subscriptions prescribed by the management committee from time to time.

## Life Members:

(13) Life Members may be elected on such terms as the members of the Association at quinquennial general meeting may decide.

## **Expulsion of members**

(14) Any member of the Association who, in the opinion of the-Management Committee, confirmed by an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Association shall be guilty by his/her actions of misusing the privileges of the Association, or of otherwise bringing the Association into contempt or disrepute may be expelled from the Association.

- (15) The Management Committee may, by unanimous vote, remove from the list of members the name of any member who has persistently neglected the work undertaken by the Association and the name of any member whose conduct they consider likely to endanger the welfare of the Association.
- (16) The financial year of the Association shall be end of 31<sup>st</sup> July every year, and an annual profit and loss account and balance sheet shall be prepared within one calendar Month at the end of the financial year and shall be presented to all Committee Members at the executive committee meeting or at the General Quinquennial Meeting or an earlier Extraordinary General Meeting by the treasurer.

## Subscriptions:

- (17) The Subscription to the Association shall be £10.00 per year, per Member, or such other sum as the management committee deem fit.
- (18) The said subscription (or such other sum aforesaid) shall be deemed to have become due and owing from each member as from the first day of the financial year.

# Payment of the Subscriptions:

(19) Subscriptions shall become due and be paid in full to the treasurer, chairman or secretary as soon as possible after the date of expiry. No member will be allowed to take part in any vote unless his /her subscription has been paid in full.

#### Finance:

(20) The funds of the Association shall be applied solely to the stated objectives of the Association.

All the officers of the Association shall receive payments for services such as attending meetings, parking charges, writing letters, writing Emails etc. at the rate of sum of £10 hour an hour paid from the funds collected as subscription fees to compensate for the time spent for benefit of all the members.

(21) The management committee shall have power by ordinary resolution to suspend any member whose membership payment(s) remain unpaid in accordance with rule of the Association.

## Quinquennial general meeting

(22) The quinquennial general meeting of the Association shall be held in July, but in any event no later than three Months on completion of five years term of present committee on a date which will be at the discretion of management committee and the accounts for the whole term duly audited, shall be presented.

# Extraordinary general meeting:

(23) Extraordinary General Meeting of the Association may be called at any time at the discretion of the chairman or the secretary and shall be called within 14 days after the receipt by the secretary of a requisition in writing to that effect, signed by at least twelve members. Every such requisition shall specify the business for which the Meeting is to be convened and no other business shall be transacted at such Meeting.

# **Quorum at the General Meeting:**

(24) No business other than the formal adjournment of the Meeting shall be transacted at any general Meeting unless a quorum be present, and such quorum shall consist of not less than one third present in person of the Members entitled to vote.

## Resolutions at the General Meeting:

(25) Unless otherwise provided by these rules, all resolutions brought forward at a general Meeting shall be decided by a bare majority of the votes properly recorded at such Meeting and in the case of an equality of votes the chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

- (26) A record of the attendance of Members at General Meeting shall be kept by the secretary, or other persons so delegated. The Management Committee shall have power to prohibit any Member whose attendance at meetings shall have been irregular from taking part in any voting taking place at the Meeting.
- (27) The privileges of Members, other than and except the right to attend and vote at General Meeting of the Association, shall be determined from time to time by Management committee. All monies due to the Association, including the subscriptions of Members, shall be recoverable at law in the name of the secretary per other such officer of the Management Committee.

#### **Meeting of the Committee:**

(28) The first meeting of the Management Committee shall be called by the secretary and shall be held within twenty one days after the General Meeting. The chairman of the Management Committee shall be the Chairman of the Association for the time being. All subsequent meetings of the Management Committee shall be called by the secretary in accordance with any resolution to that effect passed by the Management Committee and, failing any such resolution, at the discretion of the chairman and secretary. seven Members shall form a quorum.

#### The Committee's powers:

(29) The Management Committee shall have power to decide any questions arising out of these Rules and all other matters connected with the Association (other than and except those which can only be dealt with by the Association in General Meeting) and make and maintain and publish all necessary orders, regulations and bye-laws in connection herewith.

## **Dissolution of the Association:**

(30) The Association shall only be dissolved by resolution passed by a majority of at least Five-sixths of the Members present and voting at a special General Meeting called for the purpose of considering such dissolution. In the event of dissolution any balance of cash remaining in hand after the realisation of assets

and payments of debts, shall not be distributed among the Members of the Association, but shall be applied for such charitable purposes similar to those of the Association, or be paid, distributed or transferred to such charitable institution or institutions having objectives similar to the objectives of the Association, as the Management Committee, with the consent of the Meeting, shall determine.

#### **Insolvency at Dissolution:**

(31) If at the moment at which a motion to dissolve the Association is declared to be carried out, the Association shall be insolvent, The Association's debts shall be born by all the Members at that moment in equal shares whether or not such Members have paid all due subscriptions.

#### **Trustees:**

- (32) The Association in General Meeting and from time to time shall by
  - a) Ballot appoint not fewer than two or more than three Trustee of the Association who shall stand possessed of all the properties and monies whatsoever of the Association upon trust for it.
  - b) Each nomination for the office of the trustee shall be made by the management Committee.
  - c) If at any time there shall be fewer than two trustees the Management Committee shall forthwith such nomination or nominations.
  - d) A Trustee shall be entitled to be indemnified by the Association against any expense or liability which he/she may incur in the exercise of his/her duties.

#### **Alteration to Rules:**

Minor alteration of the rules shall be made at an executive committee meeting but alteration of any major rules must be made at general meeting with clearly written agenda as to the reason of such changes.

(33) No major alteration may be made to the Rules of the Association without the approval of the General Meeting or other authority having charitable jurisdiction from time to time.

The amendment was decided by the Extraordinary General Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2008 the meeting was chaired by Mathab Ahmed Khan.