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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF A PRIVATE LIMITED COMPANY

Company No. 8878066

The Registrar of Companies for England and Wales, hereby certifies that

RCCG SOLID ROCK COMMUNITY PROJECT LTD

is this day incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 as a private company, that the company is limited by guarantee, and the situation of its registered office is in England/Wales

Given at Companies House on 5th February 2014



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In accordance with Section 9 of the Companies Act 2006

Application to register a company



Companies House

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Part 1	Company details	<u> </u>				
A1	Company name To check if a company name is available use our WebCHeck service and select	→ Filling in this form Please complete in typescript or in bold black capitals				
	the 'Company Name Availability Search' option www.companieshouse.gov.uk/info	All fields are mandatory unless specified or indicated by * ① Duplicate names				
	Please show the proposed company name below	Duplicate names are not permitted A list of registered names can				
Proposed company name in full •	RCCG SOLID ROCK COMMUNITY PROJECT LTD	be found on our website There are various rules that may affect your choice of name More				
For official use	8878066	information on this is available in our guidance booklet GP1 at www.companieshouse.gov.uk				
A2	Company name restrictions o					
	Please tick the box only if the proposed company name contains sensitive or restricted words or expressions that require you to seek comments of a government department or other specified body	● Company name restrictions A list of sensitive or restricted words or expressions that require consent can be found in our				
	I confirm that the proposed company name contains sensitive or restricted words or expressions and that approval, where appropriate, has been sought of a government department or other specified body and I attach a copy of their response	guidance booklet GP1 at www.companieshouse gov.uk				
A3	Exemption from name ending with 'Limited' or 'Cyfyngedig' o	Name ending exemption				
	Please tick the box if you wish to apply for exemption from the requirement to have the name ending with 'Limited', Cyfyngedig' or permitted alternative	Only private companies that are limited by guarantee and meet oth specific requirements are eligible				
	I confirm that the above proposed company meets the conditions for exemption from the requirement to have a name ending with 'Limited', 'Cyfyngedig' or permitted alternative	to apply for this For more details, please go to our website www.companieshouse gov uk				
A4	Company type [©]					
	Please tick the box that describes the proposed company type and members' liability (only one box must be ticked) Public limited by shares	O Company type If you are unsure of your company's type, please go to our website www.companieshouse.gov.uk				
	Private limited by shares Private limited by guarantee Private unlimited with share capital					
	Private unlimited without share capital					

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A5	Situation of registered office o			
	Please tick the appropriate box below that describes the situation of the proposed registered office (only one box must be ticked) England and Wales Wales	• Registered office Every company must have a registered office and this is the address to which the Registrar will send correspondence		
	Scotland Northern Ireland	For England and Wales companies, the address must be in England or Wales		
		For Welsh, Scottish or Northern Ireland companies, the address must be in Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland respectively		
A6	Registered office address o			
	Please give the registered office address of your company	Registered office address You must ensure that the address		
Building name/number	55	shown in this section is consistent		
Street	WOODS LANE	with the situation indicated in section AS		
	OFF ABBEY STREET	You must provide an address in		
Post town	DERBY	England or Wales for companies to be registered in England and Wales		
County/Region	DERBYSHIRE	You must provide an address in Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland		
Postcode	DE3 0 QA	for companies to be registered in Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland respectively		
A7	Articles of association 9			
	Please choose one option only and tick one box only	For details of which company type		
Option 1	I wish to adopt one of the following model articles in its entirety. Please tick only one box. Private limited by shares. Private limited by guarantee. Public company	can adopt which model articles, please go to our website www.companieshouse gov.uk		
Option 2	I wish to adopt the following model articles with additional and/or amended provisions. I attach a copy of the additional and/or amended provision(s). Please tick only one box. Private limited by shares. Private limited by guarantee. Public company			
Option 3	I wish to adopt entirely bespoke articles I attach a copy of the bespoke articles to this application			
A8	Restricted company articles ©			
_	Please tick the box below if the company's articles are restricted	Restricted company articles Restricted company articles are those containing provision for entrenchment For more details, please go to our website www.companieshouse.gov.uk		

Part 2 Proposed officers

For private companies the appointment of a secretary is optional, however, if you do decide to appoint a company secretary you must provide the relevant details. Public companies are required to appoint at least one secretary.

Private companies must appoint at least one director who is an individual. Public companies must appoint at least two directors, one of which must be an individual.

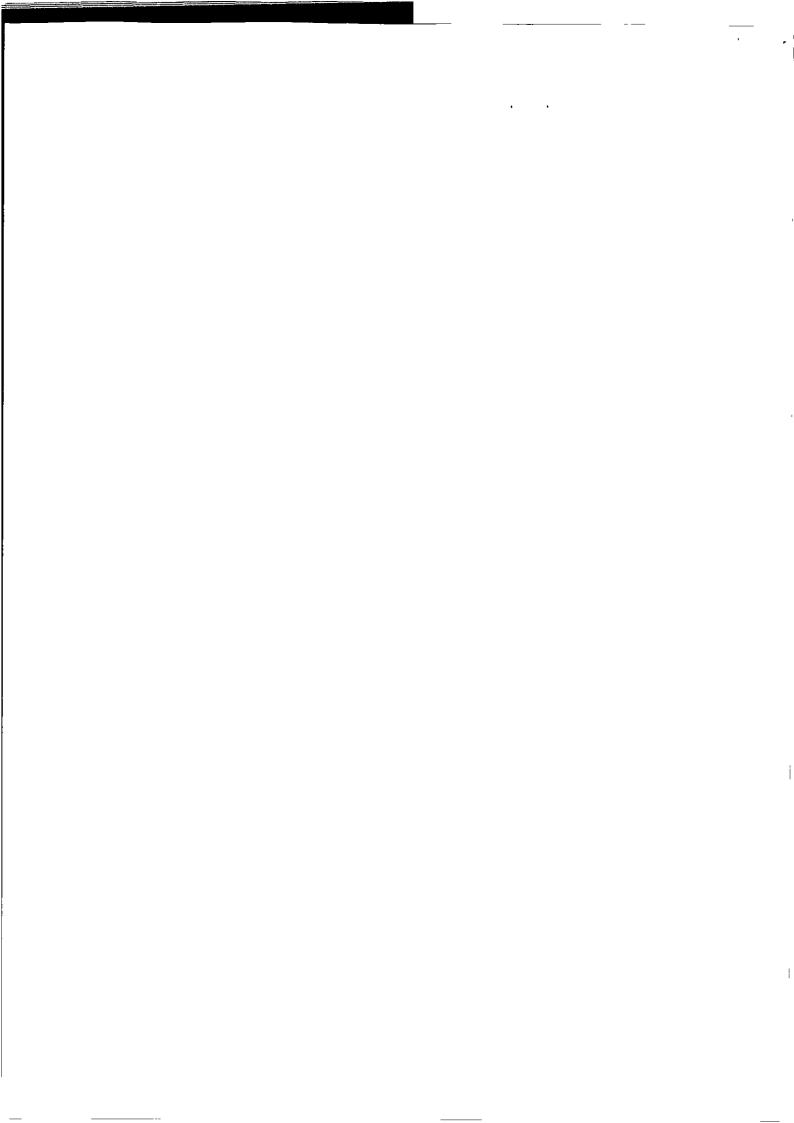
For a secretary who is an individual, go to Section B1, For a corporate secretary, go to Section C1, For a director who is an individual, go to Section D1, For a corporate director, go to Section E1

Secretary	'	
B1	Secretary appointments •	
	Please use this section to list all the secretary appointments taken on formation For a corporate secretary, complete Sections C1-C5	O Corporate appointments For corporate secretary appointments, please complete
Title*		section C1-C5 instead of section B.
Full forename(s)		Additional appointments
Surname		If you wish to appoint more than one secretary, please use
Former name(s) •		the 'Secretary appointments' continuation page
		Pformer name(s) Please provide any previous names which have been used for business purposes in the last 20 years Married women do not need to give former names unless previously used for business purposes
B2	Secretary's service address ®	
Building name/number		Service address
Street		This is the address that will appear on the public record. This does not have to be your usual residential address.
Post town		Please state 'The Company's
County/Region		Registered Office' if your service address will be recorded in the
Postcode		proposed company's register of secretaries as the company's registered office
Country		If you provide your residential address here it will appear on the public record
B3	Signature o	
	I consent to act as secretary of the proposed company named in Section A1	O Signature The person named above consents
Signature	Signature	to act as secretary of the proposed company
	X	

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Corporate secretary

C1	Corporate secretary appointments •			
	Please use this section to list all the corporate secretary appointments taken on formation	● Additional appointments If you wish to appoint more than one corporate secretary, please use the		
Name of corporate body/firm		'Corporate secretary appointments' continuation page Registered or principal address		
Building name/number		This is the address that will appear on the public record. This address		
Street		must be a physical location for the delivery of documents. It cannot be a PO box number (unless contained within a full address), DX number or		
Post town		LP (Legal Post in Scotland) number		
County/Region				
Postcode				
Country				
C2	Location of the registry of the corporate body or firm	1		
	Is the corporate secretary registered within the European Economic Area (EEA)? → Yes Complete Section C3 only → No Complete Section C4 only			
C3	EEA companies ®			
	Please give details of the register where the company file is kept (including the relevant state) and the registration number in that register	● EEA A full list of countries of the EEA can be found in our guidance www.companieshouse.gov.uk		
Where the company/ firm is registered ●		This is the register mentioned in Article 3 of the First Company Law Directive (68/151/EEC)		
Registration number		Directive (our 13 Trees)		
C4	Non-EEA companies			
	Please give details of the legal form of the corporate body or firm and the law by which it is governed. If applicable, please also give details of the register in which it is entered (including the state) and its registration number in that register.	• Non-EEA Where you have provided details of the register (including state) where the company or firm is registered,		
Legal form of the corporate body or firm		you must also provide its number in that register		
Governing law				
If applicable, where the company/firm is registered •				
Registration number				
C 5	Signature 6			
	I consent to act as secretary of the proposed company named in Section A1	⊗ Signature		
Signature	Signature X	The person named above consents to act as corporate secretary of the		



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Director

D1	Director appointments •			
	Please use this section to list all the director appointments taken on formation For a corporate director, complete Sections E1-E5	Appointments Private companies must appoint at least one director who is an		
Title*	MR	individual Public companies must		
Full forename(s)	JAMES	appoint at least two directors, one of which must be an individual		
Surname	EGODIBIE	• Former name(s) Please provide any previous names		
Former name(s) •		which have been used for business purposes in the last 20 years Married women do not need to give former names unless previously used		
Country/State of residence •	UNITED KINGDOM	for business purposes		
Nationality	BRITISH	Country/State of residence This is in respect of your usual		
Date of birth	d d 1 6 7 7 9 7 6 7 6	residential address as stated in section D4		
Business occupation (if any) •		O Business occupation If you have a business occupation, please enter here If you do not, please leave blank Additional appointments If you wish to appoint more than		
D2	Director's service address Please complete the service address below You must also fill in the director's	Service address		
Building name/number	usual residential address in Section D4	This is the address that will appear on the public record. This does not		
Street	WOODS LANE	have to be your usual residential address		
Jueet	OFF ABBEY STREET	Please state 'The Company's Registered Office' if your service		
Post town	DERBY	address will be recorded in the proposed company's register of		
County/Region	DÉRBYSHIRE	directors as the company's registered office		
Postcode	DE223UD	If you provide your residential		
Country	UNITED KINGDOM	address here it will appear on the public record		
Councy				
D3	Signature 6			
_	I consent to act as director of the proposed company named in Section A1	O Signature The person named above consents		
Signature	X Nowbody X	to act as director of the proposed company		
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Director

D1	Director appointments •					
	Please use this section to list all the director appointments taken on formation For a corporate director, complete Sections E1-E5	O Appointments Private companies must appoint at least one director who is an				
Title*	MR	individual Public companies must				
Full forename(s)	INNOCENT	 appoint at least two directors, one of which must be an individual 				
Surname	OKWUOSA	O Former name(s) Please provide any previous names				
Former name(s) @		which have been used for business purposes in the last 20 years Married women do not need to give former names unless previously used				
Country/State of residence •	UNITED KINGDOM	for business purposes				
Nationality	BRITISH	This is in respect of your usual				
Date of birth	d 1 d 3 m m m m m m m m m m m m m m m m m m	residential address as stated in Section D4				
Business occupation (if any) •		O Business occupation If you have a business occupation, please enter here If you do not, please leave blank				
		Additional appointments If you wish to appoint more than one director, please use the 'Director appointments' continuation page				
D2	Director's service address Please complete the service address below You must also fill in the director's	© Service address				
	usual residential address in Section D4	This is the address that will appear				
Building name/numbe	г	on the public record. This does not have to be your usual residential.				
Street	55	address Please state 'The Company's				
	WOODS LANE	Registered Office' if your service address will be recorded in the				
Post town	OFF ABBEY STREET	proposed company's register of				
County/Region	DERBYSHIRE	directors as the company's registered office				
Postcode	D E 2 2 3 U D	If you provide your residential address here it will appear on the				
Country	UNITED KINGDOM	public record				
D3	Signature [©]					
	I consent to act as director of the proposed company named in Section A1	O Signature				
Signature	Signature X Mully Mully	The person named above consents to act as director of the proposed company				

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E1	Corporate director appointments •			
	Please use this section to list all the corporate directors taken on formation	• Additional appointments		
Name of corporate body or firm		If you wish to appoint more than one corporate director, please use the 'Corporate director appointments' continuation page		
Building name/number		Registered or principal address		
Street		This is the address that will appear on the public record. This address must be a physical location for the delivery of documents. It cannot be		
Post town		a PO box number (unless contained within a full address), DX number or		
County/Region		LP (Legal Post in Scotland) number		
Postcode				
Country				
E2	Location of the registry of the corporate body or firm	<u> </u>		
_	Is the corporate director registered within the European Economic Area (EEA)? → Yes Complete Section E3 only → No Complete Section E4 only			
E3	EEA companies ❷			
	Please give details of the register where the company file is kept (including the relevant state) and the registration number in that register	● EEA A full list of countries of the EEA can be found in our guidance		
Where the company/ firm is registered		www.companieshouse.gov.uk		
Registration number		Article 3 of the First Company Law Directive (68/151/EEC)		
E4	Non-EEA companies			
	Please give details of the legal form of the corporate body or firm and the law by which it is governed. If applicable, please also give details of the register in which it is entered (including the state) and its registration number in that register.	O Non-EEA Where you have provided details of the register (including state) where the company or firm is registered,		
Legal form of the corporate body or firm		you must also provide its number in that register		
Governing law				
If applicable, where the company/firm is registered •				
If applicable, the registration number				
E5	Signature 6			
	I consent to act as director of the proposed company named in Section A1	⊙ Signature		
Signature	X X	The person named above consents to act as corporate director of the proposed company		
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Part 3	Statement	of capital				
	Does your compan	y have share capital?				
ļ		nplete the sections bel				
		to Part 4 (Statement				·
<u>F1</u>	Share capital ir	pound sterling ((£)			
Please complete the ta If all your issued capita			eld in pound sterling and then go to Section F4			
Class of shares (E.g. Ordinary/Preference etc	}	Amount paid up on each share ①	Amount (if any) unpaid on each share	Number of sha	ares 🕖	Aggregate nominal value
						£
	· <u> </u>					£
						£
						£
			Totals	i .		£
F2	Share capital ir	other currencies	<u> </u>	·		
Please complete the ta Please complete a sep			d in other currencies	· · · · ·		
Currency						
Class of shares (E.g. Ordinary/Preference etc)	Amount paid up on each share	Amount (if any) unpaid on each share ●	Number of shares • Agg		Aggregate nominal value 3
			Totals	<u> </u>		
Currency						
Class of shares (E g Ordinary/Preference etc	.)	Amount paid up on each share	Amount (if any) unpaid on each share	Number of sha	ares 🕶	Aggregate nominal value
				<u> </u>		
			Totals	<u> </u>		
F3	Totals					
	Please give the tot issued share capita		nd total aggregate nominal	value of	Please	aggregate nominal value list total aggregate values in
Total number of shares	different currencies separatel example £100 + €100 + \$1					
Total aggregate nominal value •						
• Including both the nomi share premium • Total number of issued s	ŕ	Number of shares issu nominal value of each	share Ple	ntinuation Pag ase use a State ge if necessary		oital continuation
G total number of 1550e0 5	mares III 11115 Class					

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F4	Statement of capital (Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares)	
	Please give the prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares for each class of share shown in the statement of capital share tables in Sections F1 and F2	OPrescribed particulars of rights attached to shares
Class of share		The particulars are a particulars of any voting rights.
Prescribed particulars		a particulars of any voting rights, including rights that arise only in certain circumstances, b particulars of any rights, as respects dividends, to participate in a distribution, c particulars of any rights, as respects capital, to participate in distribution (including on winding up), and d whether the shares are to be redeemed or are liable to be redeemed at the option of the company or the shareholder and any terms or conditions relating to redemption of these shares A separate table must be used for each class of share Continuation pages Please use the next page or a 'Statement of Capital (Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares)' continuation page if necessary

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Class of share	Prescribed particulars of rights
Prescribed particulars	attached to shares
0	The particulars are a particulars of any voting rights,
	including rights that arise only in certain circumstances,
	b particulars of any rights, as
	respects dividends, to participate in a distribution,
	c particulars of any rights, as respects capital, to participate in a
	distribution (including on winding
	up), and d whether the shares are to be
	redeemed or are liable to be
	redeemed at the option of the company or the shareholder and
	any terms or conditions relating to redemption of these shares
	A separate table must be used for each class of share
	Continuation pages
	Please use a 'Statement of capital (Prescribed particulars of rights
	attached to shares)' continuation page if necessary
	page in necessary
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Initial shareholdings

This section should only be completed by companies incorporating with share capital Please complete the details below for each subscriber

The addresses will appear on the public record. These do not need to be the subscribers' usual residential address.

Initial shareholdings Please list the company's subscribers in alphabetical order

Please use an 'Initial shareholdings' continuation page if necessary

subscribers usual residential address					continuation page in necessary		
Subscriber's details	Class of share	Number of shares	Currency	Nominal value of each share	Amount (if any) unpaid	Amount paid	
Name							
Address						<u> </u>	
Name							
Address							
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Name			ļ [
Address							
Name							
Address							
Name							
Address							

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Part 4	Statement of guarantee			
	Is your company limited by guarantee?	-		
	→ Yes Complete the sections below			
	→ No Go to Part 5 (Statement of compliance)			
G1	Subscribers			
_	Please complete this section if you are a subscriber of a company limited by guarantee. The following statement is being made by each and every person named below.	Name Please use capital letters. Address		
	I confirm that if the company is wound up while I am a member, or within one year after I cease to be a member, I will contribute to the assets of the company by such amount as may be required for	 The addresses in this section will appear on the public record They do not have to be the subscribers' usual residential address 		
	- payment of debts and liabilities of the company contracted before I	Amount guaranteed Any valid currency is permitted		
	cease to be a member, payment of costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and,	Continuation pages		
	adjustment of the rights of the contributors among ourselves, not exceeding the specified amount below	Please use a 'Subscribers' continuation page if necessary		
	Subscriber's details	-		
Forename(s) •	JAMES	_		
Surname •	EGODIBIE	-		
Address @	55 WOODS LANE	_		
	DERBY	_		
Postcode	D E 2 2 3 U D			
Amount guaranteed	£10	_		
	Subscriber's details	_		
Forename(s) •	INNOCENT	-		
Surname •	OKWUOSA	-		
Address 2	11 ELBOW STREET	_		
	MANCHESTER	_		
Postcode	M 1 9 3 P Y			
Amount guaranteed	£10	_		
	Subscriber's details	-		
Forename(s) •		-		
Surname •		-		
Address 2		- -		
Postcode	· 			

Amount guaranteed 10

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	Subscriber's details	O Name
Forename(s) •		Please use capital letters
Surname •		• Address The addresses in this section will
Address •		appear on the public record They do not have to be the subscribers' usual residential address
Postcode		Amount guaranteed Any valid currency is permitted
Amount guaranteed 9		Continuation pages Please use a 'Subscribers'
	Subscriber's details	continuation page if necessary
Forename(s) •		
Surname •		
Address 2		
Postcode		
Amount guaranteed		
	Subscriber's details	
Forename(s) •		
Surname •		
Address 2		
Postcode		
Amount guaranteed		
	Subscriber's details	
Forename(s) •		
Surname •		
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Amount guaranteed 9		
	Subscriber's details	
Forename(s) •		
Surname •		
Address •		
Postcode		
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Statement of compliance Part 5 This section must be completed by all companies Is the application by an agent on behalf of all the subscribers? Go to Section H1 (Statement of compliance delivered by the subscribers) → Yes Go to Section H2 (Statement of compliance delivered by an agent) H1 Statement of compliance delivered by the subscribers • • Statement of compliance Please complete this section if the application is not delivered by an agent delivered by the subscribers for the subscribers of the memorandum of association Every subscriber to the memorandum of association must sign the statement of compliance I confirm that the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as to registration have been complied with Subscriber's signature X X Subscriber's signature Signature X X Subscriber's signature X X Signature Subscriber's signature X X

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Subscriber's signature	_Signature	×	Continuation pages Please use a 'Statement of compliance delivered by the subscribers' continuation page if more subscribers need to sign
Subscriber's signature	Signature	×	more subscribers need to sign
Subscriber's signature	Signature X	X	
Subscriber's signature	Signature X	×	
H2	Statement of compliance delivered by an agent		
	Please complete this section if this application is delivered by an agent for the subscribers to the memorandum of association		
Agent's name			
Building name/number			
Street			
Post town			
County/Region			
Postcode		ļ	
Country			
	I confirm that the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as to registration have been complied with	n	
Agent's signature	Signature X		

Presenter information	Important information		
You do not have to give any contact information, but if you do it will help Companies House if there is a query on the form. The contact information you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.	Please note that all information on this form will appear on the public record, apart from information relating to usual residential addresses		
Contact name JAMES EGODIBIE	£ How to pay		
Company name RCCG SOLID ROCK COMMUNITY	now to pay		
PROJECT LTD	A fee is payable on this form Make cheques or postal orders payable to 'Companies House' For information on fees, go to www.companieshouse.gov.uk		
Address 55 WOODS LANE,			
	☑ Where to send		
Post town DERBY	You may return this form to any Companies House		
County/Region DERBYSHIRE	address, however for expediency we advise you to return it to the appropriate address below		
Postcode D E 2 2 3 U D Country UNITED KINGDOM	For companies registered in England and Wales The Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, Wales, CF14 3UZ		
	DX 33050 Cardiff		
Telephone 07766054917	For companies registered in Scotland		
✓ Certificate	The Registrar of Companies, Companies House,		
We will send your certificate to the presenters address	Fourth floor, Edinburgh Quay 2,		
(shown above) or if indicated to another address	139 Fountainbridge, Edinburgh, Scotland, EH3 9FF DX ED235 Edinburgh 1		
shown below	or LP - 4 Edinburgh 2 (Legal Post)		
☐ At the registered office address (Given in Section A6) ☐ At the agents address (Given in Section H2)	F		
	For companies registered in Northern Ireland The Registrar of Companies, Companies House,		
✓ Checklist	Second Floor, The Linenhall, 32-38 Linenhall Street, Belfast, Northern Ireland, BT2 8BG DX 481 N R Belfast 1		
We may return forms completed incorrectly or with information missing			
Please make sure you have remembered the	Section 243 exemption		
following	If you are applying for, or have been granted a section		
☐ You have checked that the proposed company name is	243 exemption, please post this whole form to the		
available as well as the various rules that may affect	different postal address below The Registrar of Companies, PO Box 4082,		
your choice of name More information can be found in guidance on our website	Cardiff, CF14 3WE		
☐ If the name of the company is the same as one	Provide to financia		
already on the register as permitted by The Company	Further information		
and Business Names (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2008, please attach consent	For further information, please see the guidance notes on the website at www.companieshouse.gov.uk		
☐ You have used the correct appointment sections			
☐ Any addresses given must be a physical location	or email enquiries@companieshouse gov uk		
They cannot be a PO Box number (unless part of a full service address), DX or LP (Legal Post in Scotland)	This form is available in an		
number	alternative format. Please visit the		
☐ The document has been signed, where indicated ☐ All relevant attachments have been included	forms page on the website at		
☐ You have enclosed the Memorandum of Association☐ You have enclosed the correct fee	www.companieshouse.gov.uk		

Notes

These explanatory notes are for advice and reference only and in no way form part of the text of the Memorandum of Association

Details about the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 are available from the Companies House website www.companieshouse.gov.uk and our website www.charitycommission.gov.uk

Section 8 of the Companies Act 2006 requires that the Memorandum of Association states that the company's subscribers

- (a) wish to form a company, and
- (b) agree to become members of the company

It also requires the members to authenticate the Memorandum of Association

In general, the Commission can accept any name but has the power to direct registered charity names to be changed in the circumstances set out in section 42(2) of the Charities Act 2011, which are explained in our guidance Registering as a Charity (CC21) and in our Operational Guidance (Names of charities) available on our website. In very broad terms, the name should not be offensive, or identical to (or too like) the name of any other charity, or likely to mislead the public about its purposes, activities status, or connections. Some words and expressions are controlled under the Companies Act 2006 and other legislation A list of controlled words can be found in Appendices A - C of the Companies House website document 'Incorporation and Names' (GP1)

Authentication by Subscribers The Memorandum of Association needs to be authenticated by the subscribers stating their names and adding their signatures, or by their use of a form of electronic authentication acceptable to Companies House

Submission of Documents The Memorandum of Association should be sent to the Registrar of Companies at Companies House as part of the application to register as a company (section 9 of the Companies Act 2006) The Charity Commission requires a copy of the

Memorandum of Association

Articles of Association

Certificate of Incorporation (and if applicable the Certificate of Incorporation on Change of Name)

COMPANY NOT HAVING A SHARE CAPITAL

Memorandum of Association of

RCCG SOLID ROCK COMMUNITY PROJECT LTD

Each subscriber to this memorandum of association wishes to form a company under the Companies Act 2006 and agrees to become a member of the company

Name of each subscriber

Authentication by each subscriber

JAMES EGODIGIE

INNOCENT OKWUOSA

Dated 20TH JANUARY 2014

Articles of Association for a Charitable Company

The Companies Act 2006 Company Limited by Guarantee

Articles of Association of RCCG SOLID ROCK COMMUNITY PROJECT LTD

1 The Company's name is: RCCG SOLID ROCK COMMUNITY PROJECT LTD

(and in this document it is called "the Charity")

Interpretation

2 In the articles

"address" means postal address or, for the purposes of electronic communication, a fax number, an e-mail or postal address or a telephone number for receiving text messages in each case registered with the charity,

"the articles" means the charity's articles of association,

"the charity" means the company intended to be regulated by the articles,

"clear days" in relation to the period of a notice means a period excluding

- the day when the notice is given
- the day for which it is given or on which it is to take effect

"the Commission" means the Charity Commission for England and Wales,

"Companies Acts" means the Companies Acts (as defined in section 2 of the Companies Act 2006) insofar as they apply to the charity,

"the directors" means the directors of the charity. The directors are charity trustees as defined by section 97 of the Charities Act 1993,

"document" includes, unless otherwise specified, any document sent or supplied in electronic form.

"electronic form" has the meaning given in section 1168 of the Companies Act 2006,

"the memorandum" means the charity's memorandum of association;

"officers" includes the directors and secretary (if any),

"the seal" means the common seal of the charity if it has one,

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"secretary" means any person appointed to perform the duties of the secretary of the charity,

"the United Kingdom" means Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and

Words importing one gender shall include all genders, and the singular includes the plural and vice versa.

Unless the context otherwise requires words or expressions contained in the articles have the same meaning as in the Companies Acts but excluding any statutory modification not in force when this constitution becomes binding on the charity

Apart from the exception mentioned in the previous paragraph a reference to an Act of Parliament includes any statutory modification or re-enactment of it for the time being in force

Liability of members

- The liability of the members is limited to a sum not exceeding £10, being the amount that each member of the charity undertakes to contribute to the assets of the charity in the event of its being wound up while he, she or it is a member or within one year after he, she or it ceases to be a member for
 - (1) payment of the charity's debts and liabilities incurred before he, she or it ceases to be a member
 - (2) payment of the costs charges and expenses of winding up, and
 - (3) the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves

Objects

- 4 The charity's objects ("Objects") are specifically restricted to the following
 - 1. To support widows and vulnerable women especially those who have been victims of domestic violence to restore their confidence and self-esteem and support them to re-integrate into the society
 - To provide basic and vocational skills training (Hair dressing, Catering, Fashion designer, Health and Beauty, ICT, Music, Arts, Drama, Dance, ESOL - literacy, etc) to our service users to enhance their employment opportunities.
 - 3 To organise skill-based personal development training, workshops, conferences, seminars on sustainable women development initiatives

- 4. Provide one-to-one mentoring, career guidance and counselling services to youths and vulnerable people in the community to build their self-esteem and confidence
- 5. Provide educational, health and sports development projects for youths in the community to build their capacity, promote healthy living and opportunities in life
- 6. Provide a community drop-in centre for youths and the elderly to promote social cohesion and interaction in the community.
- 7. To establish and manage a rehabilitation home for the homeless, refugees and asylum seekers and vulnerable people in partnership with mainstream service providers and other relevant organisations
- 8. To participate in poverty alleviation projects in partnership with international and local organisations involved in sustainable development projects in developing countries

Powers

- The charity has power to do anything which is calculated to further its Object(s) or is conducive or incidental to doing so. In particular, the charity has the power.
 - (1) to raise funds. In doing so, the charity must not undertake any substantial permanent trading activities and shall conform to any relevant statutory regulations,
 - (2) to buy, take on lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire any property and to maintain and equip it for use,
 - (3) to sell, lease or otherwise dispose of all or any part of the property belonging to the charity. In exercising this power the charity must comply as appropriate with sections 36 and 37 of the Charities Act 1993, as amended by the Charities Act 2006,
 - (4) to borrow money and to charge the whole or any part of the property belonging to the charity as security for repayment of the money borrowed or as security for a grant or the discharge of an obligation. The charity must comply as appropriate with sections 38 and 39 of the Charities Act 1993, as amended by the Charities Act 2006, if it wishes to mortgage land,
 - (5) to co-operate with other charities, voluntary bodies and statutory authorities and to exchange information and advice with them,,

- (6) to establish or support any charitable trusts, associations or institutions formed for any of the charitable purposes included in the Objects,
- (7) to acquire, merge with or enter into any partnership or joint venture arrangement with any other charity,
- (8) to set aside income as a reserve against future expenditure but only in accordance with a written policy about reserves;
- (9) to employ and remunerate such staff as are necessary for carrying out the work of the charity. The charity may employ or remunerate a director only to the extent it is permitted to do so by article 6 and provided it complies with the conditions in that article.
- (10) to
 - (a) deposit or invest funds,
 - (b) employ a professional fund-manager, and
 - (c) arrange for the investments or other property of the charity to be held in the name of a nominee:

in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as the trustees of a trust are permitted to do by the Trustee Act 2000;

- (11) to provide indemnity insurance for the directors in accordance with, and subject to the conditions in, section 73F of the Charities Act 1993,
- (12) to pay out of the funds of the charity the costs of forming and registering the charity both as a company and as a charity,

Application of income and property

- The income and property of the charity shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the Objects.
- 6(2) (a) A director is entitled to be reimbursed from the property of the charity or may pay out of such property reasonable expenses properly incurred by him or her when acting on behalf of the charity
 - (b) A director may benefit from trustee indemnity insurance cover purchased at the charity's expense in accordance with, and subject to the conditions in, section 73F of the Charities Act 1993
 - (c) A director may receive an indemnity from the charity in the circumstances specified in article 57
 - (d) A director may not receive any other benefit or payment unless it is

authorised by article 7

- Subject to article 7, none of the income or property of the charity may be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend bonus or otherwise by way of profit to any member of the charity. This does not prevent a member who is not also a director from receiving:
 - (a) a benefit from the charity in the capacity of a beneficiary of the charity;
 - (b) reasonable and proper remuneration for any goods or services supplied to the charity

Benefits and Payments to charity directors and connected persons

- 7(1) No director or connected person may
 - (a) buy goods or services from the charity on terms preferential to those applicable to other members of the public,
 - (b) sell goods or services or any interest in land to the charity
 - (c) be employed by or receive any remuneration from the charity
 - (d) receive any other financial benefit from the charity

unless the payment is permitted by sub-clause 2 of this article or authorised by the court or by the Charity Commission.

In this Article, a "financial benefit" means a benefit, direct or indirect, which is either money or has a monetary value

Scope and powers permitting directors' / connected persons' benefits

- 7(2) (a) A director or connected person may receive a benefit from the charity in the capacity of a beneficiary of the charity provided that a majority of the directors do not benefit in this way,
 - (b) A director or connected person may enter into a contract for the supply of services, or of goods that are supplied in connection with the provision of services, to the charity where that is permitted in accordance with, and subject to the conditions in, section 73A to 73C of the Charities Act 1993
 - (c) Subject to sub-clause 3 of this article, a director or connected person may provide the charity with goods that are not supplied in connection with services provided to the charity by the director or connected person
 - (d) A director or connected person may receive interest on money lent to the charity at a reasonable and proper rate which must be 2% (or more) per

annum below the base rate of a clearing bank to be selected by the directors.

- (e) A director or connected person may receive rent for premises let by the director or connected person to the charity. The amount of the rent and the other terms of the lease must be reasonable and proper. The director concerned must withdraw from any meeting at which such a proposal or the rent or other terms of the lease are under discussion.
- (f) A director or connected person may take part in the normal trading and fundraising activities of the charity on the same terms as members of the public.

Payment for supply of goods only - controls

- 7(3) The charity and its directors may only rely upon the authority provided by subclause (2)(c) of this article if each of the following conditions is satisfied:
 - (a) The amount or maximum amount of the payment for the goods is set out in an agreement in writing between
 - (i) the charity or its directors (as the case may be); and
 - (ii) the director or connected person supplying the goods ("the supplier") under which the supplier is to supply the goods in question to or on behalf of the charity
 - (b) The amount or maximum amount of the payment for the goods does not exceed what is reasonable in the circumstances for the supply of the goods in question
 - (c) The other directors are satisfied that it is in the best interests of the charity to contract with the supplier rather than someone who is not a director or connected person. In reaching that decision the directors must balance the advantage of contracting with a director or connected person against the disadvantages of doing so.
 - (d) The supplier is absent from the part of any meeting at which there is discussion of the proposal to enter into a contract or arrangement with him or her or it with regard to the supply of goods to the charity
 - (e) The supplier does not vote on any such matter and is not to be counted when calculating whether a quorum of directors is present at the meeting
 - (f) The reason for their decision is recorded by the directors in the minute book
 - (g) A majority of the directors then in office are not in receipt of remuneration or payments authorised by article 7

- 7(4) In sub-clauses (2) and (3) of this article 7
 - (a) "charity" shall include any company in which the charity
 - (i) holds more than 50% of the shares; or
 - (ii) controls more than 50% of the voting rights attached to the shares, or
 - (III) has the right to appoint one or more directors to the board of the company;
 - (b) "connected person" includes any person within the definition in Article 61 "Interpretation"

Declaration of directors' interests

A director must declare the nature and extent of any interest, direct or indirect, which he or she has in a proposed transaction or arrangement with the charity or in any transaction or arrangement entered into by the charity which has not previously been declared. A director must absent himself or herself from any discussions of the directors in which it is possible that a conflict will arise between his or her duty to act solely in the interests of the charity and any personal interest (including but not limited to any personal financial interest).

Conflicts of interests and conflicts of loyalties

- 9(1) If a conflict of interests arises for a director because of a duty of loyalty owed to another organisation or person and the conflict is not authorised by virtue of any other provision in the articles, the unconflicted directors may authorise such a conflict of interests where the following conditions apply:
 - (a) the conflicted director is absent from the part of the meeting at which there is discussion of any arrangement or transaction affecting that other organisation or person,
 - (b) the conflicted director does not vote on any such matter and is not to be counted when considering whether a quorum of directors is present at the meeting, and
 - (c) the unconflicted directors consider it is in the interests of the charity to authorise the conflict of interests in the circumstances applying
- 9(2) In this article a conflict of interests arising because of a duty of loyalty owed to another organisation or person only refers to such a conflict which does not involve a direct or indirect benefit of any nature to a director or to a connected person

Members

10(1) The subscribers to the memorandum are the first members of the charity

- 10(2) Membership is open to other individuals or organisations who
 - (a) apply to the charity in the form required by the directors, and
 - (b) are approved by the directors,
- 10(3) (a) the directors may only refuse an application for membership if, acting reasonably and properly, they consider it to be in the best interests of the charity to refuse the application.
 - (b) The directors must inform the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal within twenty-one days of the decision.
 - (c) The directors must consider any written representations the applicant may make about the decision. The directors' decision following any written representations must be notified to the applicant in writing but shall be final.
- **10(4)** Membership is not transferrable.
- **10(5)** The directors must keep a register of names and addresses of the members

Classes of membership

- 11(1) The directors may establish classes of membership with different rights and obligations and shall record the rights and obligations in the register of members
- 11(2) The directors may not directly or indirectly alter the rights or obligations attached to a class of membership
- 11(3) The rights attached to a class of membership may only be varied if
 - (a) three-quarters of the members of that class consent in writing to that variation, or
 - (b) a special resolution is passed at a separate general meeting of the members of that class agreeing to the variation
- 11(4) The provisions in the articles about general meetings shall apply to any meeting relating to the variation of the rights of any class of members

Termination of membership

- 12 Membership is terminated if:
 - (1) the member dies or, if it is an organisation, ceases to exist;
 - the member resigns by written notice to the charity unless, after the resignation, there would be less than two members,

- (3) any sum from the member to the charity is not paid in full within six months of it falling due,
- the member is removed from membership by a resolution of the directors that it is in the best interests of the charity that his or her or its membership is terminated. A resolution to remove a member from membership may only be passed if
 - (a) the member has been given at least twenty-one days' notice in writing of the meeting of the directors at which the resolution will be proposed and the reasons why it is to be proposed;
 - (b) the member, or at the option of the member, the member's representative (who need not be a member of the charity) has been allowed to make representations to the meeting

General Meetings

- 13(1) The charity must hold its first annual general meeting within eighteen months after the date of incorporation.
- 13(2) An annual general meeting must be held in each subsequent year and not more than fifteen months may elapse between successive annual general meetings
- 14 The directors may call a general meeting at any time.

Notice of general meetings

- **15(1)** The minimum periods of notice required to hold a general meeting of the charity are:
 - (a) twenty-one clear days for an annual general meeting or a general meeting called for the passing of a special resolution,
 - (b) fourteen clear days for all other general meetings.
- 15(2) A general meeting may be called by shorter notice if it is so agreed by a majority in number of members having a right to attend and vote at the meeting, being a majority who together hold not less than 90 percent of the total voting rights.
- 15(3) The notice must specify the date time and place of the meeting and the general nature of the business to be transacted. If the meeting is to be an annual general meeting, the notice must say so. The notice must also contain a statement setting out the right of members to appoint a proxy under section 324 of the Companies. Act 2006 and article 22.
- 15(4) The notice must be given to all the members and to the directors and auditors

The proceedings at a meeting shall not be invalidated because a person who was entitled to receive notice of the meeting did not receive it because of an accidental omission by the charity.

Proceedings at general meetings

- 17(1) No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum is present
- **17(2)** A quorum is:
 - (a) 3 members present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote on the business to be conducted at the meeting, or
 - (b) one tenth of the total membership at the time

whichever is the greater

- 17(3) The authorised representative of a member organisation shall be counted in the quorum.
- 18(1) If:
 - (a) quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, or
 - (b) during a meeting a quorum ceases to be present,

the meeting shall be adjourned to such time and place as the directors shall determine

- 18(2) The directors must reconvene the meeting and must give at least seven clear days notice of the reconvened meeting stating the date, time and place of the meeting
- 18(3) If no quorum is present at the reconvened meeting within fifteen minutes of the time specified for the start of the meeting the members present in person or by proxy at that time shall constitute the quorum for that meeting
- **19(1)** General meetings shall be chaired by the person who has been appointed to chair meetings of the directors
- 19(2) If there is no such person or he or she is not present within fifteen minutes of the time appointed for the meeting a director nominated by the directors shall chair the meeting.
- 19(3) If there is only one director present and willing to act, he or she shall chair the meeting

- 19(4) If no director is present and willing to chair the meeting within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding it, the members present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote must choose one of their number to chair the meeting
- **20(1)** The members present in person or by proxy at a meeting may resolve by ordinary resolution that the meeting shall be adjourned
- 20(2) The person who is chairing the meeting must decide the date, time and place at which the meeting is to be reconvened unless those details are specified in the resolution.
- 20(3) No business shall be conducted at a reconvened meeting unless it could properly have been conducted at the meeting had the adjournment not taken place.
- 20(4) If a meeting is adjourned by a resolution of the members for more than seven days, at least seven clear days notice shall be given of the reconvened meeting stating the date, time and place of the meeting.
- 21(1) Any vote at a meeting shall be decided by a show of hands unless before, or on the declaration of the result of, the show of hands a poll is demanded
 - (a) by the person chairing the meeting, or
 - (b) by at least two members present in person or by proxy and having the right to vote at the meeting; or
 - (c) by a member or members present in person or by proxy representing not less than one-tenth of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at the meeting
- 21(2) (a) The declaration by the person who is chairing the meeting of the result of a vote shall be conclusive unless a poll is demanded
 - (b) The result of the vote must be recorded in the minutes of the charity but the number or proportion of votes cast need not be recorded
- **21(3)** (a) A demand for a poll may be withdrawn, before the poll is taken, but only with the consent of the person who is chairing the meeting
 - (b) If the demand for a poll is withdrawn the demand shall not invalidate the result of a show of hands declared before the demand was made.
- 21(4) (a) A poll must be taken as the person who is chairing the meeting directs, who may appoint scrutineers (who need not be members) and who may fix a time and place for declaring the results of the poll.
 - (b) The result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the polis demanded

- 21(5) (a) A poll demanded on the election of a person to chair a meeting or on a question of adjournment must be taken immediately
 - (b) A poll demanded on any other question must be taken either immediately or at such time and place as the person who is chairing the meeting directs.
 - (c) The poll must be taken within thirty days after it has been demanded
 - (d) If the poll is not taken immediately at least seven clear days notice shall be given specifying the time and place at which the poll is to be taken.
 - (e) If a poll is demanded the meeting may continue to deal with any other business that may be conducted at the meeting.

Content of proxy notices

- 22(1) Proxies may only validly be appointed by a notice in writing (a "proxy notice") which
 - (a) states the name and address of the member appointing the proxy;
 - (b) Identifies the person appointed to be that member's proxy and the general meeting in relation to which that person is appointed,
 - (c) is signed by or on behalf of the member appointing the proxy, or is authenticated in such manner as the directors may determine; and
 - (d) is delivered to the charity in accordance with the articles and any instructions contained in the notice of the general meeting to which they relate
- **22(2)** The charity may require proxy notices to be delivered in a particular form, and may specify different forms for different purposes
- **22(3)** Proxy notices may specify how the proxy appointed under them is to vote (or that the proxy is to abstain from voting) on one or more resolutions
- 22(4) Unless a proxy notice indicates otherwise, it must be treated as -
 - (a) allowing the person appointed under it as a proxy discretion as to how to vote on any ancillary or procedural resolutions put to the meeting, and
 - (b) appointing that person as a proxy in relation to any adjournment of the general meeting to which it relates as well as the meeting itself

Delivery of proxy notices

22A (1) A person who is entitled to attend, speak or vote (either on a show of hands or on a poll) at a general meeting remains so entitled in respect of that meeting or any adjournment of it, even though a valid proxy notice has been

delivered to the charity by or on behalf of that person

- (2) An appointment under a proxy notice may be revoked by delivering to the charity a notice in writing given by or on behalf of the person by whom or on whose behalf the proxy notice was given
- (3) A notice revoking a proxy appointment only takes effect if it is delivered before the start of the meeting or adjourned meeting to which it relates.
- (4) If a proxy notice is not executed by the person appointing the proxy, it must be accompanied by written evidence of the authority of the person who executed it to execute it on the appointer's behalf.

Written resolutions

- 23(1) A resolution in writing agreed by a simple majority (or in the case of a special resolution by a majority of not less than 75%) of the members who would have been entitled to vote upon it had it been proposed at a general meeting shall be effective provided that.
 - (a) a copy of the proposed resolution has been sent to every eligible member,
 - (b) a simple majority (or in the case of a special resolution a majority of not less than 75%) of members has signified its agreement to the resolution, and
 - (c) It is contained in an authenticated document which has been received at the registered office within the period of 28 days beginning with the circulation date
- 23(2) A resolution in writing may comprise several copies to which one or more members have signified their agreement
- 23(3) In the case of a member that is an organisation, its authorised representative may signify its agreement.

Votes of members

- Subject to Article 11, every member, whether an individual or an organisation, shall have one vote
- Any objection to the qualification of any voter must be raised at the meeting at which the vote is tendered and the decision of the person who is chairing the meeting shall be final
- **26(1)** Any organisation that is a member of the charity may nominate any person to act as its representative at any meeting of the charity.
- 26(2) The organisation must given written notice to the charity of the name of its

representative. The representative shall not be entitled the organisation at any meeting unless the notice has been received by the charity. The representative may continue to represent the organisation until written notice to the contrary is received by the charity.

26(3) Any notice given to the charity will be conclusive evidence that the representative is entitled to represent the organisation or that his or her authority has been revoked. The charity shall not be required to consider whether the representative has been properly appointed by the organisation.

Directors

- 27(1) A director must be a natural person aged 16 years or older
- **27(2)** No one may be appointed a director if he or she would be disqualified from acting under the provisions of article 39
- The number of directors shall be not less than three but (unless otherwise determined by ordinary resolution) shall not be subject to any maximum
- The first directors shall be those persons notified to Companies House as the first directors of the charity
- A director may not appoint an alternate director or anyone to act on his or her behalf at meetings of the directors.

Powers of directors

- **31(1)** The directors shall manage the business of the charity and may exercise all the powers of the charity unless they are subject to any restrictions imposed by the Companies Acts, the articles or any special resolution
- **31(2)** No alteration of the articles or any special resolution shall have retrospective effect to invalidate any prior act of the directors
- **31(3)** Any meeting of the directors at which a quorum is present at the time the relevant decision is made may exercise all the powers exercisable by the directors

Retirement of directors

- At the first annual general meeting all the directors must retire from office unless by the close of the meeting the members have failed to elect sufficient directors to hold a quorate meeting of the directors. At each subsequent annual general meeting one-third of the directors or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, the number nearest to one-third, must retire form office. If there is only one director he or she must retire
- 33(1) The directors to retire by rotation shall be those who have been longest in office

since their last appointment. If any directors became or were appointed directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot

33(2) If a director is required to retire at an annual general meeting by a provision of the articles the retirement shall take effect upon the conclusion of the meeting

Appointment of directors

- 34 The charity may by ordinary resolution.
 - (1) appoint a person who is willing to act to be a director, and
 - (2) determine the rotation in which any additional directors are to retire
- No person other than a director retiring by rotation may b appointed a director at any general meeting unless.
 - (1) he or she is recommended for re-election by the directors; or
 - (2) not less than fourteen nor more than thirty-five clear days before the date of the meeting, the charity is given a notice that
 - (a) is signed by a member entitled to vote at the meeting,
 - (b) states the member's intention to propose the appointment of a person as a director:
 - (c) contains the details that, if the person were to be appointed, the charity would have to file at Companies House, and
 - (d) is signed by the person who is to be proposed to show his or her willingness to be appointed.
- All members who are entitled to receive notice of a general meeting must be given not less than seven nor more than twenty-eight clear days notice of any resolution to be put to the meeting to appoint a director other than a director who is to retire by rotation
- 37(1) The directors may appoint a person who is willing to act to be a director
- **37(2)** A director appointed by a resolution of the other directors must retire at the next annual general meeting and must not be taken into account in determining the directors who are to retire by rotation
- The appointment of a director, whether by the charity in general meeting or by the other directors, must not cause the number of directors to exceed any number fixed as the maximum number of directors

Disqualification and removal of directors

- 39 A director shall cease to hold office if he or she
 - (1) ceases to be a director by virtue of any provision in the Companies acts or is prohibited by law from being a director,
 - (2) is disqualified from acting as a trustee by virtue of section 72 of the Charities Act 1993 (or any statutory re-enactment or modification of that provision);
 - (3) ceases to be a member of the charity,
 - (4) becomes incapable by reason of mental disorder, illness or injury of managing and administering his or her own affairs,
 - resigns as a director by notice to the charity (but only if at least two directors will remain in office when the notice of resignation is to take effect), or
 - (6) is absent without the permission of the directors from all their meetings held within a period of six consecutive months and the directors resolve that his or her office be vacated

Remuneration of directors

The directors must not be paid any remuneration unless it is authorised by article 7

Proceedings of directors

- **41(1)** The directors may regulate their proceedings as they think fit, subject to the provisions of the articles.
- 41(2) Any director may call a meeting of the directors.
- 41(3) The secretary (if any) must call a meeting of the directors if requested to do so by a director.
- 41(4) Questions arising at a meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes

[Optional

- 41(5) In the case of an equality of votes, the person who is chairing the meeting shall have a second or casting vote]
- [41(6) A meeting may be held by suitable electronic means agreed by the directors in which each participant may communicate with all the other participants]
- 42(1) No decision may be made by a meeting of the directors unless a quorum is present

- at the time the decision is purported to be made ['Present' includes being present by suitable electronic means agreed by the directors in which a participant or participants may communicate with all the other participants]
- **42(2)** The quorum shall be two or the number nearest to one-third of the total number of directors, whichever is the greater, or such larger number as may be decided from time to time by the directors
- **42(3)** A director shall not be counted in the quorum present when any decision is made about a matter upon which that director is not entitled to vote.
- If the number of directors is less than the number fixed as the quorum, the continuing directors or director may act only for the purpose of filling vacancies or of calling a general meeting.
- **44(1)** The directors shall appoint a director to chair their meetings and may at any time revoke such appointment.
- 44(2) If no-one has been appointed to chair meetings of the directors or if the person appointed is unwilling to preside or is not present within ten minutes after the time appointed for the meeting, the directors present may appoint one of their number to chair that meeting
- **44(3)** The person appointed to chair meetings of the directors shall have no functions or powers except those conferred by the articles or delegated to him or her by the directors
- **45(1)** A resolution in writing or in electronic form agreed by a simple majority of all the directors entitled to receive notice of a meeting of directors or of a committee of directors and to vote upon the resolution shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the directors or (as the case may be) a committee of directors duly convened and held provided that:
 - (a) a copy of the resolution is sent or submitted to all the directors eligible to vote, and
 - (b) a simple majority of directors has signified its agreement to the resolution in an authenticated document or documents which are received at the registered office within the period of 28 days beginning with the circulation date.
- 45(2) The resolution in writing may comprise several documents containing the text of the resolution in like form to each of which one or more directors has signified their agreement.

Delegation

46 (1) The directors may delegate any of their powers or functions to a committee of two or more directors but the terms of any delegation must be recorded in

the minute book.

- (2) The directors may impose conditions when delegating, including the conditions that.
 - (a) the relevant powers are to be exercised exclusively by the committee to whom they delegate,
 - (b) no expenditure may be incurred on behalf of the charity except in accordance with a budget previously agreed with the directors.
- (3) The directors may revoke or alter a delegation.
- (4) All acts and proceedings of any committees must be fully and promptly reported to the directors

Validity of directors' decisions

- 47(1) Subject to article 47(2), all acts done by a meeting of directors, or a committee of directors, shall be valid notwithstanding the participation in any vote of a director
 - (a) who was disqualified from holding office,
 - (b) who had previously retired or who had been obliged by the constitution to vacate office,
 - (c) who was not entitled to vote on the matter, whether by reason of a conflict of interests or otherwise,

If without

- (d) the vote of that director, and
- (e) that director being counted in the quorum,

the decision has been made by a majority of the directors at a quorate meeting

47(2) Article 47(1) does not permit a director or a connected person to keep any benefit that may be conferred upon him or her by a resolution of the directors or of a committee of directors if, but for article 47(1), the resolution would have been void, or if the director has not complied with article 8.

Seal

If the charity has a seal it must only be used by the authority of the directors or of a committee of directors authorised by the directors. The directors may determine who shall sign any instrument to which the seal is affixed and unless otherwise so determined it shall be signed by a director and by the secretary (if any) or by a

second director

Minutes

- 49 The directors must keep minutes of all:
 - (1) appointments of officers made by the directors,
 - (2) proceedings at meetings of the charity,
 - (3) meetings of the directors and committees of directors including
 - (a) the names of the directors present at the meeting,
 - (b) the decisions made at the meetings, and
 - (c) where appropriate the reasons for the decisions.

Accounts

- The directors must prepare for each financial year accounts as required by the Companies Acts. The accounts must be prepared to show a true and fair view and follow accounting standards issued or adopted by the Accounting Standards. Board or its successors and adhere to the recommendations of applicable. Statements of Recommended Practice.
- 50(2) The directors must keep accounting records as required by the Companies Acts

Annual Report and Return and Register of Charities

- **51(1)** The directors must comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 1993 with regard to the
 - (a) transmission of the statements of account to the charity,
 - (b) preparation of an Annual Report and its transmission to the Commission,
 - (c) preparation of an Annual Return and its transmission to the Commission
- **51(2)** The directors must notify the Commission promptly of any changes to the charity's entry on the Central Register of Charities

Means of communication to be used

52(1) Subject to the articles, anything sent or supplied by or to the charity under the articles may be sent or supplied in any way in which the Companies Act 2006 provides for documents or information which are authorised or required by any

provision of that Act to be sent or supplied by or to the charity

- **52(2)** Subject to the articles, any notice or document to be sent or supplied to a director in connection with the taking of decisions by directors may also be sent or supplied by the means by which that director has asked to be sent or supplied with such notices or documents for the time being
- Any notice to be given to or by any person pursuant to the articles.
 - (1) must be in writing, or
 - (2) must be given in electronic form.
- 54(1) The charity may give any notice to a member either:
 - (a) personally, or
 - (b) by sending it by post in a prepaid envelope addresses to the member at his or her address; or
 - (c) by leaving it at the address of the member, or
 - (d) by giving it in electronic form to the member's address
- 54(2) A member who does not register an address with the charity or who registers only a postal address that is not within the United Kingdom shall not be entitled to receive any notice from the charity.
- A member present in person at any meeting of the charity shall be deemed to have received notice of the meeting and of the purposes for which it was called
- **56(1)** Proof that an envelope containing a notice was properly addresses, prepaid and posted shall be conclusive evidence that the notice was given
- 56(2) Proof that an electronic form of notice was given shall be conclusive where the company can demonstrate that it was properly addressed and sent, in accordance with section 1147 of the Companies Act 2006
- 56(3) In accordance with section 1147 of the Companies Act 2006 notice shall be deemed to be given
 - (a) 48 hours after the envelop containing it was posted, or
 - (b) In the case of an electronic form of communication, 48 hours after it was sent

Indemnity

(Option 1

- [57(1) The charity may indemnify a relevant director against any liability incurred by him or her or it in that capacity, to the extent permitted by sections 232 to 234 of the Companies Act 2006
- **57(2)** In this article a "relevant director" means any director or former director of the charity]

[Option 2

- [57(1) The charity shall indemnify any director against any liability incurred by him or her in that capacity, to the extent permitted by sections 232 to 234 of the Companies Act 2006
- 57(2) In this article a "relevant director" means any director or former director of the charity]

[Option 3

- [57(1) The charity shall indemnify every director against any liability incurred in successfully defending legal proceedings in that capacity, or in connection with any application in which relief is granted by the Court from liability for negligence, default, or breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the charity.
- 57(2) In this article a "relevant director" means any director or former director of the charity.]

[Optional

- 57A The charity may indemnify an auditor against any liability incurred by him or her or it
 - (1) In defending proceedings (whether civil or criminal) in which judgement is given in his or her or its favour or he she or it is acquitted, or
 - (2) In connection with an application under section 1157 of the Companies Act 2006 (power of Court to grant relief in case of honest and reasonable conduct) in which relief is granted to him or her or it by the Court.]

Rules

- **58(1)** The directors may from time to time make such reasonable and proper rules or bye laws as they may deem necessary or expedient for the proper conduct and management of the charity
- **58(2)** The bye laws may regulate the following matters but are not restricted to them:
 - (a) the admission of members of the charity (including the admission of organisations to membership) and the rights and privileges of such members, and the entrance fees, subscriptions and other fees or payments

- to be made by members,
- (b) the conduct of members of the charity in relation to one another, and to the charity's employees and volunteers,
- (c) the setting aside of the whole or any part or parts of the charity's premises at any particular time or times or for any particular purpose;
- (d) the procedure at general meetings and meetings of the directors in so far as such procedure is not regulated by the Companies Acts or by the articles;
- (e) generally, all such matters as are commonly the subject matter of company rules
- **58(3)** The charity in general meeting has the power to alter, add to or repeal the rules or bye laws
- **58(4)** The directors must adopt such means as they think sufficient to bring the rules and bye laws to the notice of members of the charity
- 58(5) The rules or bye laws shall be binding on all members of the charity. No rule or bye law shall be inconsistent with, or shall affect or repeal anything contained in, the articles

Disputes

If a dispute arises between members of the charity about the validity or propriety of anything done by the members of the charity under these articles, and the dispute cannot be resolved by agreement, the parties to the dispute must first try in good faith to settle the dispute by mediation before resorting to litigation.

Dissolution

- 60(1) The members of the charity may at any time before, and in expectation of, its dissolution resolve that any net assets of the charity after all its debts and liabilities have been paid, or provision has been for them, shall on or before the dissolution of the charity be applied or transferred in one or more of the following ways.
 - (a) directly for the Objects, or
 - (b) by transfer to any charity or charities for purposes similar to the Objects, or
 - (c) to any charity or charities for use for particular purposes that fall within the Objects
- 60(2) Subject to any resolution of the members of the charity, the directors of the charity may at any time before and in expectation of its dissolution resolve that any net assets of the charity after all its debts and liabilities have been paid, or provision

made for them, shall on or before dissolution of the charity be applied or transferred.

- (a) directly for the Objects, or
- (b) by transfer to any charity or charities for purposes similar to the Objects, or
- (c) to any charity or charities for use for particular purposes that fall within the Objects
- 60(3) In no circumstances shall the net assets of the charity be paid to or distributed among the members of the charity (except to a member that is itself a charity) and if no resolution in accordance with article 60(1) is passed by the members or the directors the net assets of the charity shall be applied for charitable purposes as directed by the Court or the Commission

Interpretation

- **61(1)** In article 7, sub-clause 2 of article 9 and sub-clause 2 of article 47, "connected person" means
 - (a) a child, parent, grandchild, grandparent, brother or sister of the director,
 - (b) the spouse or civil partner of the director or of any person falling within paragraph (i) above,
 - (c) a person carrying on business in partnership with the director or with any person falling within paragraph (i) or (ii) above,
 - (d) an institution which is controlled -
 - (i) by the director or any connected person falling within paragraph (a), (b), or (c) above; or
 - (II) by two or more persons falling within sub-paragraph (a), when taken together;
 - (e) a corporate body in which -
 - (i) the director or any connected person falling within paragraphs (a) to (c) has a substantial interest, or
 - (ii) two or more persons falling within sub-paragraph (a) who, when taken together, have a substantial interest
- **61(2)** Paragraphs 2 to 4 of Schedule 5 to the Charities Act 1993 apply for the purposes of interpreting the terms used in this sub-clause