# The Rules of the Selsdon Residents' Association (April 2004, Clause 9a amended March 2014)

1. The Association is called 'The Selsdon Residents' Association'.

## 2. Objects:

- a) To advance and protect the interests of residents,
- b) to encourage social intercourse amongst residents.
- 3. The Association is non-sectarian.
- 4. The Association is non-political. For the purpose of this rule all elections, whether local, parliamentary or EU, shall be deemed to be political.
- 5. All residents 18 years of age or over in Selsdon are eligible for membership. For the purposes of this Rule 5 Selsdon shall be deemed to be that area within the former Selsdon Ward (22A, 22B, 22C, and 22D) of the London Borough of Croydon as on January 1<sup>st</sup> 2000.
- 6. The financial year of the Association shall commence on 1<sup>st</sup> January each year. The annual subscription for each year shall be determined by resolution of the Annual General Meeting during that year. Notification of the subscription for the year shall be made in such manner as determined by the Meeting. Payment of the subscription shall constitute membership of all adult members of the household concerned for that year.
- 7. The Association is empowered to elect a President and one or more Vice-Presidents.

### 8. Meetings:

- a) The Association shall hold its Annual General Meeting in March or April of each year and the agenda for that meeting shall include the presentation of the audited accounts.
- b) A Special General Meeting may be called when the Executive deem desirable, or on application in writing signed by not less than 20 members, stating the object of the meeting and giving not less than 28 clear days' notice.
- c) The purpose of meetings shall be to discuss any matter consistent with Rule 2. Decisions shall; be determined by a majority vote, which may be by show of hands or by ballot.

#### 9. Executive:

- a) The Executive of the Association shall consist of fourteen members, including Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, six to form a quorum.
- b) The officers and the members of the Executive and an Honorary Auditor shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- c) The Executive shall have the power to fill any casual vacancy amongst its officers or members, but shall report its action at the next Annual General Meeting thereafter.
- d) The Executive shall carry out the business referred to it by Annual General Meetings or Special General Meetings and any other matters which may come before it or be initiated by it which are consistent with Rule 2.
- e) As may be necessary the business of the Executive shall be decided by majority voting. Voting shall be by show of hands. In the event of a tie, the Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. The Executive shall have the power to co-opt

- members and such co-opted members need not be members of the Association. Co-opted members shall have no vote.
- f) The Executive shall have the power to appoint sub-committees.
- g) The Executive shall meet as necessary at the discretion of the Chairman and members shall receive an Agenda and Minutes not less than seven days prior to the date of the meeting.
- 10. The Association shall not be dissolved except by vote of two-thirds of the members present at an Annual General Meeting, or by a Special General Meeting called for the purpose. The proposal for dissolution shall be specifically mentioned in the announcements giving the date of any such meeting.

#### 11. Expenditure:

- a) All expenditure shall be controlled by minute of the Executive.
- b) In furthering its object the Association may apply its funds either by assisting organisations, providing cultural, social or recreational facilities in Selsdon or by providing such facilities itself. Notwithstanding sub rule 11a), the Executive may by resolution delegate a body of not less than three administrators, who shall be members of the Association, the administration and application of all or part of the said funds, subject to any directions or provisions for the appointment of new administrators, as it may think fit.
- c) The good offices of the Association may be used to promote or assist special contributions from members for charitable appeals of national or local character if seemed desirable.
- 12. No alteration or addition to these rules shall be made except at the Annual General Meeting, or at a Special General Meeting convened for that purpose, and notice of such meeting shall include the suggested alteration or addition which may be the subject to amendment at the meeting.
- 13. All notices of suggested alterations or additions to these Rules (except those proposed by the Executive) to be sent to the Honorary Secretary in writing 28 days before the date of the meeting.

RHRA April 2004, reprinted Jan 2008. (Clause 9a amended, approved March 2014 AGM. JS)