


W. R. Richards - CHAIR
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CONSTITUTION OF FALMOUTH AGE CONCERN

NAME: Falmouth Age Concern henceforth known as the Organisation or FAC.

OBJECTIVES: The objectives for which FAC is established are as follows:-

1. To promote and enhance the general well-being of all older people in Falmouth, Penryn and the surrounding area* and remotely support, when and where appropriate, older people across the wider region**.
2. To undertake and provide, on its own account, services, activities, programmes, projects and events which directly or indirectly contribute to the achievement of the above purpose.
3. To assist the work of statutory authorities and other charitable and voluntary organisations engaged in providing facilities for physical and mental recreation, developing physical improvement, furthering health, relieving poverty, distress or sickness, or in pursuing any objectives which may benefit the elderly in this community.
4. To promote and organise co-operation in the achievement of the above purposes and to that end liaise and communicate with representatives of the authorities and organisations engaged in the furtherance of the above purposes within Falmouth, Penryn and surrounding area and remotely the wider region.
5. To promote and carry out, or assist in, surveys and assessments relating to the needs of old people and arrange for forwarding to the proper authorities and organisations the relevant facts regarding such cases. Also to identify any causes of distress and to bring these to the attention of those authorities and organisations that have the resources and power to alleviate them.
6. To arrange and provide for, or join in arranging and providing for, the holding of exhibitions, meetings, lectures, clubs and classes that directly or indirectly further the objectives above.
7. To recruit, retain and, where appropriate train, volunteers to carry out the above objectives and to support and advise this cohort whenever appropriate.
8. To undertake activities incidental or conducive to the attainment of all the above objectives or any of them.

*Up to a 10 mile radius of Falmouth

**The County of Cornwall

Other rules and requirements

1. FAC may accept, borrow and raise money for the purpose of the Organisation's objectives by means of grants-in-aid from central or local government authorities, donations and legacies, subscriptions from individuals or other sources. All monies received shall be applied in furthering all or any of the objectives of the Committee and no portion of such monies shall be paid to any member or co-opted member of the Organisation, provided that nothing herein shall prevent the payment in good faith, of reasonable and proper remuneration to any officer or servant of the Organisation or to any member of the Organisation not being a member of a Local Authority, in return for any services actually rendered to the Organisation.
2. The Organisation may, with consent of the Committee, employ full or part-time staff to further the objectives of the Organisation. Financial remuneration for such staff will be decided by the Chair and agreed by the Committee; such remuneration will be reviewed annually.
3. The Organisation's financial year shall run from 1st January to 31st December. Once at least in every year the accounts of the Organisation shall be examined by a qualified Accountant.
4. Alterations to the Constitution must receive the assent of not less than two-thirds of members of the Committee present and voting. A resolution for the alteration of the Constitution must be received by the Secretary of the Organisation, in writing, at least twenty-one clear days before the meeting at which the Resolution is to be brought forward. Seven days' notice of such a meeting must be given by the Secretary to the members, and must include notice of the alterations proposed.
5. The Committee may appoint such sub-committees as they would think fit, with power to co-opt any other persons and may delegate any of their powers to such sub-committees provided that the number of persons not being members of the Committee, co-opted to serve on any such sub-committee, shall never exceed one-third of the total number of persons serving on that sub-committee. The members of sub-committees shall be appointed for such periods and purposes as the Committee may determine.
6. If the Organisation decides at any time that on the grounds of expense or otherwise the Organisation shall be dissolved, the assets of the Organisation (if any), after payment thereof of all proper debts and liabilities of the Organisation, shall be given to such other charitable organisation with objectives similar to those of the Organisation.