

Gospel4Grampian Constitution

NAME AND OBJECTS

The charity is called “Gospel4Grampian” a Community Gospel Radio for NE Scotland.

The charity’s objectives are:

- To broadcast on terrestrial analog/digital radio and on the internet the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- To build links with local communities throughout NE Scotland through live outside broadcasts and direct work with churches and other organisations which aim to bring benefit to people in their local communities.
- To inform local communities by promoting services and events which help to fulfil Gospel4Grampian’s vision to “Enrich Lives”.
- To engage in such other activities which shall further the attainment of the above objectives of Gospel4Grampian.

2. COMPLIANCE

The charity shall be administered in accordance with the regulations issued by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator, herein after designated as OSCR.

3. MEMBERSHIP

The members of the Charity shall be those who wish to apply and

- who agree with the objectives of Gospel4Grampian;
- can testify to a personal faith in Jesus Christ and subscribe to the statement of faith of the Evangelical Alliance;
- who wish to actively provide support through prayer and/or considered giving, and by participating in the work of Gospel4Grampian. A formal role of the members and affiliate members will be maintained.

4. AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP

Affiliate membership is available to Christian organisations:

- that wish to apply and agree with the objectives of Gospel4Grampian;

- subscribe to the statement of faith of the Evangelical Alliance;
- wish to actively provide support through prayer and/or considered giving, and by participating in the work of Gospel4Grampian.

A formal role of the affiliate members will be maintained.

5. MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERS AND AFFILIATE MEMBERS

There shall be an Annual General Meeting (AGM) for all the members and affiliates of the charity convened by the Secretary with at least fourteen days' notice given. The meeting will be conducted according to the published agenda. Affiliate organisations will be entitled to have 1 voting representatives and as many others as they deem appropriate present.

The AGM will:

- receive the annual report of the Board of Trustees which provides evidence of compliance the objectives as set out in the constitution which are been approved by the Board of Trustees;
- receive the annual accounts of the charity for the previous year, having been approved by the Trustees;
- Discuss and consider items which any member wished to be included in the agenda subject to due notice having been given, and any other relevant business;
- Strategic decisions will be made by the Board of Trustees following consultation with the membership at the AGM;

A formal minute of the AGM will be produced.

6. THE AGM QUORUM

The membership will be enumerated on the basis of 1 per member and 1 per affiliate organisation.

The quorum for an AGM shall be 25% of the membership present in person, of whom three must be members of the Board of Trustees. When any financial business is to be transacted the Treasurer must be present, or a member of the Trustees deputed by the Treasurer to represent his or her views to the meeting (provided that where it

is a case of a deputy, the only financial business transacted shall be that which was set out in the agenda accompanying the notice of the meeting).

7. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The affairs of the Charity shall be administered by the Board of Trustees consisting or not more than ten persons. The Board of Trustees will have ultimate responsibility for the activities of the Charity including the disbursement of funds, management of property owned by the Charity, and all other administration tasks.

- The first group of Trustees will be appointed by the founder of Gospel4Grampian and there after, new appointments to the Board of Trustees shall be recommended by the current board of Trustees and affirmed by the membership at either an AGM or SGM;
- The quorum for a meeting of the Board of Trustees shall be three members present in person. When any financial business is to be transacted, there must be present either the Treasurer or a member of the Trustees deputed by the Treasurer to represent his or her views to the meeting;
- The Board of Trustees shall be made up of the Chairman, the Secretary, the Treasurer (together, the “Office Holders”; and their offices are referred to as “the Offices”), and a minimum of one other person. The Chairman, the Secretary and the Treasurer shall each be a member of the charity;
- The Chairman shall have the right to preside at all meetings of the members of the Charity and at all meetings of the Trustees. Should the Chairman be absent, or decline to take the chair, the Trustees shall elect another member of the Trustees to chair the meeting.

8. THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees shall be elected for a period of 3 years after which they can stand for re-election for a further period.

If during the period between the elections “to offices” any vacancies occur, the Trustees shall have the power to appoint a successor to

the vacant office by. Any such co-options will be notified to the following AGM or SGM;

- Each Office Holder must, on relinquishing his or her appointment, promptly hand to his or her successor in Office (or to another member of the Charity nominated by the Trustees) all official documents, records and property belonging to the Charity, which is in his or her possession; and must complete any requirements to transfer authority relating to control of the Charity's bank accounts, building society accounts, or other financial affairs;
- No member of the Board of Trustees shall be removed from office except by the consensus of those present in person or by proxy at an AGM or SGM.

9.THE CHAIRMAN

The chairman shall:

- Occupy the chair at all meeting of the Board of Trustees and the membership;
- Represent the Charity at any business meetings or events at which Gospel4Grampian has a formal presence – in the event that attendance in person is not possible the chairman shall appoint a deputy from the board of Trustees;
- Oversee the work of the Board of Trustees to ensure that it works to promote the objectives of Gospel4Grampian as set out in the Constitution.

10.THE SECRETARY

The secretary shall:

- Maintain a register of the members of the Charity, which shall be available for inspection by the OSCR on request;
- give notice of meetings of the members and the Trustees;
- draw up the agendas for and the minutes of those meetings;
- notify the membership promptly following the appointment, resignation or removal from Office Holders and membership of the Board of Trustees;
- advise the membership promptly of any changes in this Constitution.

11. THE TREASURER

The Treasurer shall:

- keep proper records of the Charity's financial transactions in accordance with current accepted accounting rules and practices;
- ensure that bills are paid and cash is banked in accordance with any procedures developed;
- develop and maintain a manual of written procedures for all aspects of the Treasurer's responsibilities;
- make all records, procedures and accounts available on request to the Board of Trustees, to OSCR and to an independent examiner.

12. INDEMNITY

So far as may be permitted by law, every member of the Board of Trustees and every officer of the Charity shall be entitled to be indemnified by the Charity against all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities incurred by him or her in the execution or discharge of his or her duties or the exercise of his or her powers, or otherwise properly in relation to or in connection with his or her duties. This indemnity extends to any liability incurred by him or her in defending any proceedings, civil or criminal, which relate to anything done or omitted or alleged to have been done or omitted by him or her as a Trustees or Officer of the Charity and in which judgement is given in his or her favour (or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on his or her part), or in which he or she is acquitted, or in connection with any application under any statute for relief from liability in respect of any such act or omission in which relief is granted to him or her by the Court.

So far as may be permitted by law, the Charity may purchase and maintain for any member of the Trustees or officer of the Charity insurance cover against any liability which by virtue of any rule of law may attach to him or her in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which he or she may be guilty in relation to the Charity and against all costs, charges, losses and expenses and liabilities incurred by him or her and for which he or she is entitled to be indemnified by the Charity.

13.DISSOLUTION

The Charity may be dissolved at any time subject to the consensus of those present in person or by proxy at either the AGM or a SGM. In the event of the Charity being dissolved, its assets shall be gifted to another organisation with similar aims and objectives.

14.ASSETS CLAUSE

None of the Gospel4Grampians assets may be distributed or otherwise applied (on being wound up or at any other time) except to further its charitable purposes.

15.INTERPRETATION

Any question about the interpretation of this Constitution shall be settled by the Board of Trustees.