BALA & PENLLYN TOURISM ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

Adopted January 17th 2001

1. **NAME**
The Association shall be called, “Bala & Penllyn Tourism Association”.

2. **OBJECTIVES**
The Association is established to publicise, promote, develop and market Bala & Penllyn for tourism and other economic benefits as far as funds permit.

3. **AIMS**
To increase the awareness of the economic contribution of tourism to the Bala & Penllyn area.

To develop attractions and events for the whole of the year.

To encourage visitors to spend more of their leisure time within the Penllyn area.

To foster and develop relationships between the bodies responsible for tourism facilities, and accommodation providers.

The Welsh language shall be the core language of all activities.

4. **MEMBERSHIP**
Membership of the Association shall be open to all persons, firms and associations interested in the promotion and development of tourism in the Bala & Penllyn area.

5. **OFFICERS**
The Officers of the Association shall be: Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary, and any other person or office deemed necessary by the Officers.

6. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**
The Association shall be vested in an Executive Committee consisting of: Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting, together with representatives from the following: Bala & Penllyn Community Councils, Antur Penllyn, Cyngor Gwynedd and the Regional Tourism bodies.

Four shall form a quorum.
The Executive Committee shall meet during the year at such times as the Chairperson and Officers may deem advisable.

7. **ELECTION TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**
The election to the Executive Committee shall be by a show of hands by the members present at the AGM. All other voting at meetings shall be by a show of hands unless a ballot be demanded by not less than one third of the members present. In the event of an equality of votes the Chairperson will have an additional casting vote. Candidates to the Executive Committee must be proposed and seconded with the consent of the nominees.

8. **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**
The business to be transacted at each Annual General Meeting shall be to elect the Officers of the Association. The statement of Accounts and Annual Report of the preceding year shall be read. The AGM shall be held in January or February each year. Due notice of such a meeting shall be given in the press.

9. **SUB COMMITTEE**
The Executive Committee shall, at their discretion, appoint Sub Committees who shall be subject to the authority of the Executive Committee.

10. **EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**
An Extraordinary General Meeting shall be convened at any time by the Executive Committee, or upon receipt by the Secretary of a written request signed by not less than ten members and setting out the purpose of such a meeting.

11. **ACCOUNTS**
The financial year of the Association shall terminate on the 31st October in each year, to which day the accounts of the Association shall be balanced, audited and submitted for approval at the Annual General Meeting.

12. **RULES**
No alterations or additions to these Rules shall be made except by a resolution at an Annual General Meeting of the Association, or an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Association. Written notice of any motion for the alteration in the rules shall be given to the Secretary not later than December 1st preceding the Annual General Meeting.
13. CODICIL ADDED 04.03.2009
If the Council, by a simple majority, decides at any time that on grounds of expense, or otherwise, it is necessary or advisable to dissolve the Association, then it shall call a meeting of all members of the Association (who are entitled to vote) giving not less than 21 days notice of such meeting (setting out the terms of the resolutions to be proposed). If such decision of the Council shall be confirmed by a simple majority of those present, and voting, at such meeting of The Association, then the Council shall have the power to dispose of any assets held by, or on behalf, of the Association, for the satisfaction of all proper debts and liabilities of the Association, and any assets then remaining shall be given, or transferred, to such other institutions (whether regional or national), having objectives which include similar objectives to those of the Association, as the Council may determine.