
HOMESTEADS COMMUNITY FORUM

Constitution



Title	The Title of the group shall be 'Homesteads Community Forum'. The group shall be non-political and non-sectarian.
Boundary	The Homesteads Community Forum covers the area between Southend Road in the south to the A13 in the north and from the Manorway in the west to Lampits Hill in the east.
Aims and Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ To improve the general environment and amenity of the Homesteads and to represent the Homestead community in other matters of concern.▪ Liaise with Thurrock Council, Police and other bodies to achieve the aims.▪ To provide residents of the Homesteads with information and to encourage a community spirit in the area.▪ Improve social development.▪ Promote the welfare, leisure and recreation of the local community.
Activities	<p>In furtherance of the purpose and objectives of the Homesteads Community Forum, but not further or otherwise, the group may:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Make and maintain contact with other persons and organisations that accept the purpose and objects of the group for the achievement of that purpose and those objectives.▪ Raise funds, invite and receive contributions from any person or organisation by way of grant or donation.
Membership	<p>Membership is open to all residents who live within the Homesteads boundary and only these residents shall have the right to vote.</p> <p>The Homesteads Community Forum may admit as members any person or organisation that accepts the purpose and objectives of the group.</p>
Public Meetings	Public Meetings open to members shall be held at least 5 times per year, generally two monthly.
Annual General Meetings (AGM)	<p>The Homesteads Community Forum shall hold an Annual General Meeting annually in March. Notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be publicly advertised.</p> <p>The Annual General Meeting shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Receive a report of the Homesteads Community Forum's activities during the previous year and a statement of accounts.▪ Elect or appoint members of the Management Committee in accordance with the constitution.▪ Decide on any proposition that may be submitted to the meeting.▪ Appoint an independent examiner. <p>A quorum of the meeting shall be 6 members. The Chairperson of the meeting shall have the casting vote.</p>
Management Committee	The Management Committee shall be responsible to the Homesteads Community Forum and between the Public Meetings, shall direct and manage the affairs of the Homesteads Community Forum.