***Catherine de Barnes Residents’ Association***

Approved at the AGM,

11/03/2009

**RULES**

1. The Association will be known as "The Catherine de Barnes Residents’ Association".
2. The objects of the Association will be to:
	1. Seek to preserve, maintain and improve the village and immediate environs.
	2. Support village amenities and services.
	3. Support village life and where appropriate sponsor activities to this end.
	4. Consider and make representations to appropriate authorities (Borough Council, Planning Authorities, Public Utilities, Transport, etc) on any matter that may affect the village and the residents.

3.    Membership of the Association will be optional and open to all residents (or ex-residents) of the village and its surrounds.

4.    The Association will be financed by a membership subscription.

1. Such finances will only be used for the benefit of the Association and residents generally.
2. Social or sponsored events should be self-financing as far as is practical
3. The subscription will be per calendar year and levied per adult member of subscribing households (minimum age 18)
4. The subscription will only be varied by A.G.M
5. Meetings:
	1. The A.G.M. of the Association will be held during March and will elect the management Committee.
	2. The Management Committee of the Association which will hold office from 1st April to 31st March will include a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, together with any other Committee Members deemed appropriate at the time.
	3. The Management Committee of the Association will be responsible for the general management of the Association and such further matters as may be decided, including the power to set up Sub-Committees.
	4. The Management Committee will be authorised to call a General meeting, giving at least 7 days notice of the date and business of the meeting.
	5. A Special General meeting will be called on the request of not less that ten members, in writing, to the Secretary, who will then give at least 7 days notice of the date and business of the meeting.
6. The Secretary will ensure that:
	1. Regular meetings of the Committee are held.
	2. A record is kept of any decisions taken by the Committee
7. The Treasurer will ensure that
	1. The finances of the Association are kept in proper order
	2. An up to date membership list is maintained
	3. The accounts of the Association are prepared for audit in February and presented to the AGM in March
8. The Management Committee shall call a meeting in March or April each year of persons who are prepared to be responsible for the organisation of Catney Fete. The group, to be known as CATFOG (Catney Fete Organising Committee) shall then operate as a Sub Committee of the Association for the year. At least one member of the Management Committee shall be a member of CATFOG. The activities of the group shall be self-financing and all Fete funds raised shall be retained by the Group and/or their successors and disposed of by their resolution for appropriate uses for the benefit of the village and the residents.
9. The Management Committee will endeavour to ensure that a newsletter is published and distributed to all member households on a regular basis.
10. Matters not covered by these rules will be decided by the Management Committee but will always be subject to final decision by any General or Special meeting of the Association.