

Beumaris Conservation Society

(Formerly Beumaris Tree Preservation Society 1953-70)

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CONSTITUTION

Name

1. The name of the organization shall be ~~the 'Beumaris Tree Preservation Society'~~ *'Beumaris Conservation Society'* (A).

Objects

2. The objects of the Society shall be:
 - (a) to encourage to the greatest degree possible ~~the preservation of the native flora and fauna in the Beumaris area~~ *and with special reference to the Beumaris area*
 - (1) *The conservation and restoration of native flora and fauna*
 - (2) *The protection of natural landscape, including geographical features*
 - (3) *Action to eliminate or prevent pollution affecting land, sea and air;* (A)
 - (b) to encourage and participate in the replanting of native flora in the same area;
 - (c) to encourage and participate in the planting of suitable trees and shrubs in nature strips and parks and on the foreshore within the same area;
 - (d) to promote a public conscience favourable to the carrying out of the aforesaid objects;
 - (e) to buy, sell and lease land and to mortgage the same;
 - (f) to enter into correspondence and to make contracts with other organizations, persons and companies and with municipal and other authorities;
 - (g) to do all such things as may in the opinion of the Society assist in the promotion of the said objects.

Membership

3. Any person or body may, with approval of the Committee, become a member of the Society on payment of an annual subscription of two shillings or such other sum as is determined by the Society from time to time. Such subscription shall be payable annually not later than the first day of September in each year and shall make a member financial until the 31st day of August in the succeeding year and entitled to exercise the rights of membership.

Meetings

4. ~~The Society shall meet annually during the month of September~~ *The Society shall meet at least once in each calendar year during the month of September or such month as the committee by resolution shall determine for that year* (C) and at such other intervals or at such times as the President shall fix. The President shall also call a meeting whenever requested in writing by ~~twelve~~ *five members or one half of the membership whichever is less.* (B)

Committee

5. The affairs of the Society shall be managed by a committee elected at a general meeting and thereafter at each annual general meeting and shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, together with such other persons as the Committee may from time to time co-opt.
6. The Committee may make its own rules for the conduct of its meetings and for the conduct of general meetings. *The quorum at the committee meeting shall be three committee members or one half of the committee members whichever is the less.* (B)

Trustees

7. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be the trustees of the property of the Society excepting real property. They shall open a bank account in the name of the Society. All cheques must be signed by the following: President, Secretary, Treasurer.
8. There shall be three trustees appointed by the Committee for the purpose of holding any real property of which the Society may become possessed. The trustees shall hold that office until death, retirement or removal by a general meeting.

Amendment of Constitution

9. This Constitution may *not* be amended ~~only~~ *except* by a majority vote *at a postal ballot of members or at a general meeting of which one month's four weeks notice in writing has been sent through the post to members. or publish in the Beaumaris Newsletter, Standard News or other local paper or displayed in any appropriate place or places and containing particulars of the proposed amendments* (B)

Amendments Made:

- (A) *As amended at the Annual General Meeting, September 1970
President: Mr William Ridland - Secretary: Mrs Gaye Johnston*
- (B) *As amended at the Annual General Meeting, September 1978
President: Mr Paul Weir - Secretary: Mr Geoffrey Goode*
- (C) *As amended at the Annual General Meeting, September 1993
President: Mr Robert Casamento - Secretary: Mr Kenneth Rendell*

The words in *italics* have been inserted. The words ~~struck out~~ have been deleted.

The original Constitution was adopted in March 1953.
President: Mrs Edith (Bea) Hosking - Secretary: Mrs Sue McDougall
