

Transition Wirksworth Constitution

Name ~ The name of the group is Transition Wirksworth (TW)

Aims and Objectives

- (a) To raise awareness of the issues associated with the twin challenges of Climate Change and Peak Oil and the consequent need to develop a low carbon, sustainable and resilient future through ethical, social, cultural, economic, environmental and community action.
- (b) To provide members, other groups and individuals the encouragement and support necessary to make the transition to a low carbon, sustainable, resilient and ethical future.

Membership ~ The group is open to any resident of Wirksworth and surrounding Districts who supports our objectives. We strive to eliminate all forms of discrimination. No membership fee will be charged.

Process ~ We aim to run the group on as non hierarchical lines as possible. The roles of Treasurer and Communications Officer (Secretary) will be allocated for an identified period and undertaken by volunteers who have the necessary skills and time to commit. The roles of Facilitator and Minute Taker for meetings will rotate between those who wish to volunteer.

Meetings ~ General Meetings will be held at least twice a year. Resolutions will be agreed by the process of consensus decision making. Each meeting will have two facilitators and a minute taker. Minutes will be circulated via the communications officer to all members after each meeting.

Annual General Meetings ~ will be held once per year. At least fourteen days before the Annual General Meeting, a notice of the meeting and the business to be conducted will be sent to every member. A report on the work undertaken over the year and a statement of accounts will be presented. The roles of treasurer and communications officer will be allocated for the coming year.

Special General Meetings ~ will be held if requested by any six members

Constitution ~ These rules may be amended by resolution at a Special General Meeting or Annual General Meeting. Alternatives may be proposed by any member, who must notify the Communications officer at least three weeks in advance of the meeting. Alternatives will be adopted if agreed by consensus at a meeting attended by at least twenty of the membership

Dissolution ~ Dissolution of the group requires a Special General Meeting. If agreed by consensus in a meeting attended by at least twenty of the membership the property of the group shall be realised and, after discharging all liabilities, the remaining funds will be donated to an appropriate charity having similar objectives.