

The logo for the West London River Group features a stylized blue wavy line representing a river, with the text "West London River Group" in a blue sans-serif font overlaid on it.

West London River Group

Constitution

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1. **NAME.**
The name of the group shall be the West London River Group (WLRG).
2. **AIMS and OBJECTS**
 - a) The Aims and objects of the WLRG shall be those set out in the Group's Mission Statement as formally adopted in September, 1998 and will include any amendments or additions made at future Annual General Meetings. The Group's area of interest covers the River Thames and its environment in West London from Kew to Chelsea.
 - b) The Group will operate on a not for profit basis.
3. **MEMBERSHIP**

Full Membership of the WLRG shall be open to all amenity societies or groups whose area of interest falls within, or partly within, the area of interest of the WLRG, whose own membership is open to all and whose aims and objects are commensurate with those of the WLRG.

Associate Membership of the WLRG shall be open to two further categories of groups:

 - a) Amenity Groups without an income source or for whom, for other reasons, the payment of a subscription would not be appropriate. In which case the Representative Committee may accept such groups as Associate Members.
 - b) Groups whose area of interest does not coincide with that of the WLRG and groups whose aims and objects are not specifically similar to those of the WLRG, provided always that the aims and objects of these groups are commensurate with those of the WLRG.
 - c) Associate Membership of the WLRG is subject to acceptance by the Representative Committee
4. **SUBSCRIPTIONS**
The subscription for Full Members shall be £20.00 annually, or such other reasonable sum as the Representative Committee shall determine from time to time. Associate Membership is permitted on the basis of reciprocal membership.
5. **MEETINGS**
 - a) An Annual General Meeting shall be held each year to receive the Officers' reports and the Honorary Treasurer's accounts and to effect the election of the WLRG's Officers for the following year. The Representative Committee shall give at least four week's notice of the time and place of the Annual General meeting to all Full and Associate Members.
 - b) Special General Meetings shall be held at the written request of five or more Full Members and shall be convened by the Honorary Secretary within six weeks of receipt of such written request.
 - c) Resolutions for Annual or Special General Meetings must be submitted to the Honorary Secretary at least three days before the time and date of the meeting and must be proposed and seconded by paid-up Full Members

- d) Annual or Special General Meetings will be open to all members of the WLRG's paid-up Full and Associate Member-Groups.
- e) Ordinary Meetings of the Representative Committee will take place at least twice *per annum*.
- f) The quorum for all meetings will be six representatives from not less than six Full or Associate Member-groups.

6. **OFFICERS**

- a) The Officers of the WLRG shall consist of :-
 - i) Chairman
 - ii) Vice-Chairmen (1 or 2)
 - iii) Honorary Secretary
 - iv) Honorary Treasurer and
 - v) such other officers as the Group may require, following a resolution at the Annual General meeting to create such a position.
- b) Nominations from Full Member-Groups for the election of Officers shall be made in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least three days before the Annual General Meeting.
- c) Officers of the WLRG serve until replaced or re-elected at the following Annual General meeting. The Representative Committee shall have the power to fill casual vacancies occurring during the period between Annual General Meetings.
- d) A Standing Committee of the Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Secretary and any other Members of the Representative Committee that the Officers of the WLRG consider appropriate due to their particular interest in a specific issue or issues, has the delegated power and responsibility to take all necessary action on any urgent or emergency matters affecting the aims and objects of the WLRG between meetings of the Representative Committee. The Standing Committee will offer a full report on any such action and make any relevant correspondence available at the next meeting of the Representative Committee.

7. **The REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE**

The Representative Committee shall be responsible for the management and administration of the WLRG. Membership of the Representative Committee shall consist of representatives from each of the Member-groups. Member-groups may nominate one or two persons to attend and speak at Representative Committee meetings but, in the case of a vote, only one representative from each paid-up Full Member-group may cast a ballot. Resolutions for Representative Committee meetings must be submitted to the Honorary Secretary at least three days before the date of the meeting and must be proposed and seconded by representatives of paid-up Full Member-Groups.

8. **SUB-COMMITTEES**

The Representative Committee may constitute such sub-committees from time to time as shall be considered necessary. Sub-committees shall report to, and shall be regulated or dissolved by, the Representative Committee.

9. **ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES and APPLICATION of FUNDS**

The Representative Committee shall pay for all proper expenses of administration and management of the WLRG out of the funds of the WLRG. All moneys belonging to the WLRG that are not required for immediate application may be invested by the Representative Committee in or upon such investment, securities or property as it may think fit. All monies received by or on behalf of the Group shall be applied to further the aims and objects of the Group and for no other purpose.

10. **DISSOLUTION of the WLRG**

The WLRG may be dissolved at any Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting by means of a ballot in which one representative from each of its paid-up Full Member-groups has one vote. The motion for dissolution must include proposals for the disposal of the WLRG's remaining funds to other organisations run on a not for profit basis, and it must be submitted to the Honorary Secretary at least six weeks prior to the date of the meeting and all Member-Groups must be notified of such a resolution at least four weeks prior to the date of the meeting. A motion for dissolution of the WLRG must be

carried by a majority of at least seventy-five percent of the total number of the Full Members to be effective.