



# Northumberland Street, Nelson Street and Abercromby Place Association.

The Northumberland Street, Nelson Street and Abercromby Place Residents Association (NNAA) is dedicated to promoting the community, amenity and quality of life of the residents of our streets.

NNAA covers the entirety of Northumberland Street, Nelson Street, Northumberland Place, Abercromby Place, the North, West, North East, South West, South East Lanes of Northumberland Street and Northumberland Place Lane.

The aims of the Association are:

1. To determine, represent and promote the interests of our residents.
2. To develop constructive relationships with relevant public and private bodies for the benefit of our residents
3. To liaise and coordinate with other street and community associations in Edinburgh to value, protect and preserve the special built environment of our area within the World Heritage Site.
4. To inform residents about issues and proposed developments that affect our streets and respond as appropriate.
5. To provide a forum for residents to meet, both socially and formally.

The NNAA is a non-political organisation and is committed to equality and diversity and respect for diverse opinions.

## Membership

Membership is open to all residents of the catchment area over the age of 16 and other individuals locally who share our aims, on payment of a subscription. NNAA encourages any commercial organisations in our streets to join the Association as Associate members and to contribute to our community. Subscriptions are to be used for legitimate expenses incurred in promoting the aims of the Association.

## The Committee

Members will elect a committee to run the Association including a Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. The maximum membership of the committee will be 8 members and a quorum 4 members. The committee will be elected each year at the AGM by the members present. All full members of the Association are eligible to join the committee. In the event there are more nominations than places on the committee, a ballot will be held of members present. The committee may co-opt members between AGMs to assist with its work, up to the maximum membership. Committee contact details will be published on the website.

Membership of the committee is a voluntary activity, and all members of the committee will act in accordance with the aims and values of the association.

## **AGM**

The Association will hold an Annual General Meeting each year. Three weeks' notice of the AGM will be given to the members on the website and the quorum for the AGM will be 20 members, including the committee. The AGM will be open to all members of the Association and the agenda will be published on the Association website in advance of the meeting along with minutes of previous meetings. Any member who wishes to include an agenda item should notify the Secretary at least 24 hours before the meeting.

The Association aims to be governed by consensus, but in the event of a difference of opinion a vote will be held at the meeting and decisions made by a simple majority of those full members present at the AGM.

The AGM will receive reports from the Chair and Treasurer including a full accounting statement and recommendation of subscription amount for the following year. Guests, including local councillors, MSPs, MPs, Heritage bodies etc may be invited to the AGM.

Other general meetings, normally requiring a minimum of 7 days' notice, shall be called at the Committee's discretion. Should five members make a written representation to the Secretary, a general meeting will be convened.

Members are encouraged to check the website regularly for information.

## **Dissolution**

If the Association ceases to serve the needs of the membership it can be wound up. After any liabilities are accounted for, any remaining assets will be donated to a charity serving the local community in keeping with the aims of the Association.