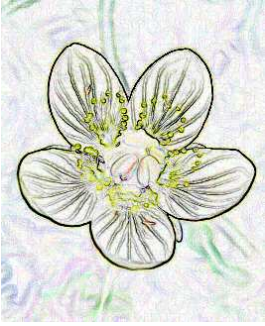


Friends of Lye Valley

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1. The group shall be called the Friends of Lye Valley (FoLV).
2. The area known as Lye Valley is roughly that outlined on the attached map. As the natural world does not observe hard boundaries, the group's interest may extend outside these boundaries. Ownership of Lye Valley is shared between Oxford City Council, the Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust and 6 private landlords.
3. The aims of the group are to:
 - enhance the biodiversity of the area defined above.
 - campaign for and protect local wildlife,
 - identify and help manage existing areas of wildlife,
 - actively encourage local participation in the identification and management of wildlife,
 - propose areas of high wildlife potential,
 - propose ways of reducing the impact of developments on wildlife,
 - link to other local and national groups with similar aims.
 - protect, conserve and enhance Lye Valley as a place of freedom, recreation and enjoyment for the long term benefit of all sections of the local community.
 - to gather input from local people and representative groups so that the Lye Valley may best serve the local community.
4. To fulfil these aims the group will:
 - create short and long term wildlife strategies for the Lye Valley and the surrounding area,
 - communicate with and involve the local community,
 - participate and initiate surveys and record local wildlife,
 - make representation to and inform those involved with development control,
 - apply for funding for projects and initiatives.
5. Membership shall be open to anyone, individuals or groups, interested in taking an active part in the work of the group.
6. The group shall hold regular meetings to discuss activities, policy and administration. All members shall be entitled to attend.
7. The committee will only make decisions when at least 3 members are present, including two officers.



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8. The following officers shall be elected at each AGM by a simple majority:

- Chair
- Treasurer
- Secretary

Each member shall have one vote. Families shall have two votes.

The committee shall have the power to co-opt up to 5 additional members to the committee to assist with other duties such as membership, communications and grants.

9. An AGM shall be held each year between 10 and 14 months after the previous AGM. The committee shall give not less than 21 days notice of the date of the AGM. A quorum at an AGM shall be 10 members or 10% of the total number of members, whichever is lower.

10. Subscriptions will be reviewed and set annually at the AGM. Subscription rates will be set for waged (individuals and families) and unwaged households.

11. The financial year will be 1st April to 31st March. Accounts will be kept by the Treasurer and will be available for independent inspection. Accounts shall be presented at the AGM for approval by the members.

12. The group will ensure that volunteers on its projects are insured and that this insurance covers injuries to third parties and damage to property incurred in connection with FoLV activities.

13. This constitution shall only be altered by a motion passed at a quorate AGM by at least two thirds of the members present at the meeting.

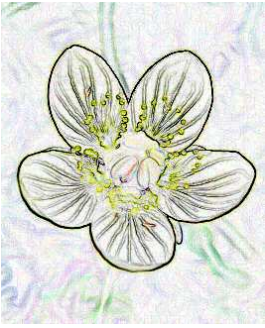
14. If the group shall, by general consent of its members, cease to exist, all assets shall pass to The Oxford Urban Wildlife Group.

This Constitution was approved by Members at the Inaugural General meeting of Friends of Lye Valley on 14 August 2013 held at St Francis Church Hall, Hollow Way, Cowley

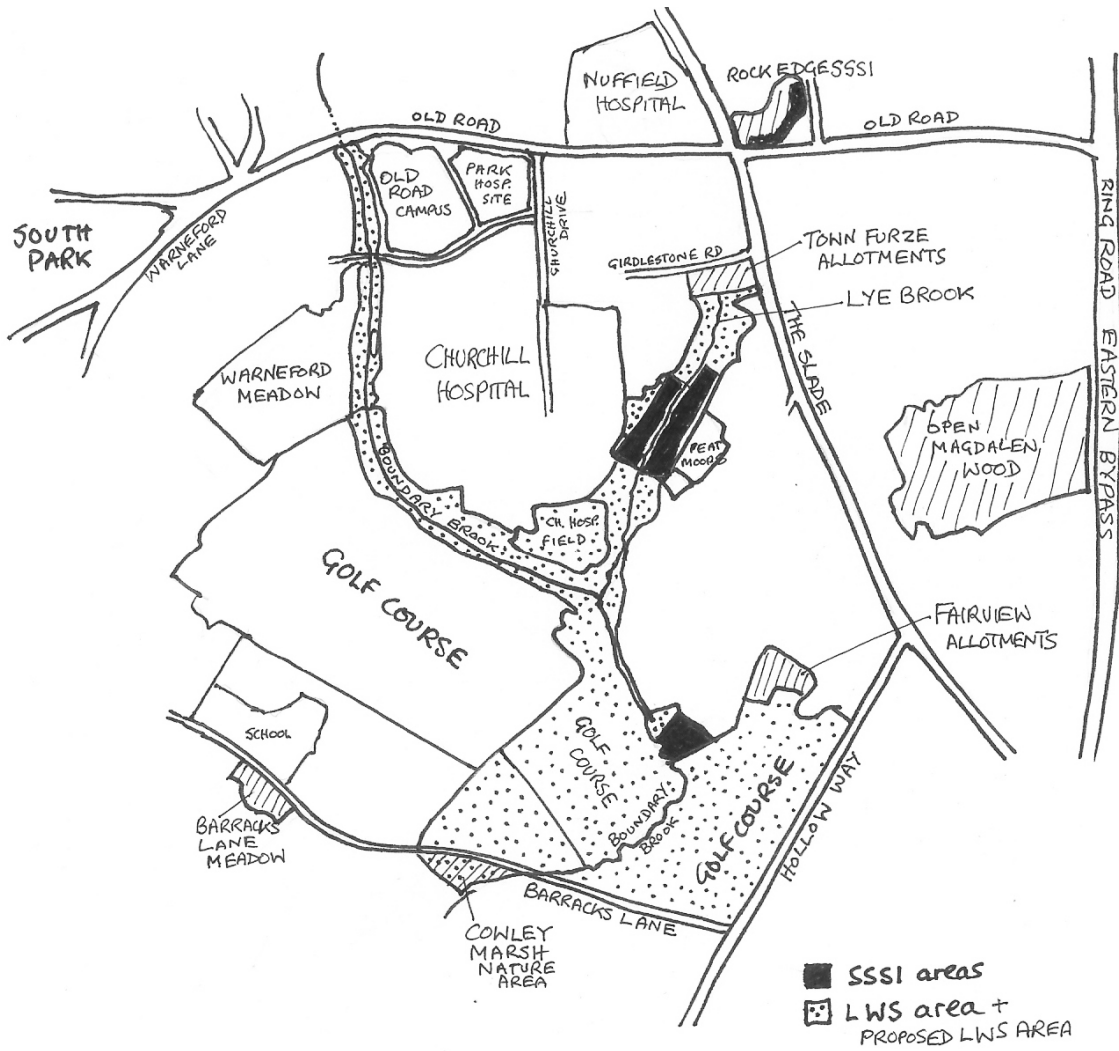
Signed by the Chair of the Friends of Lye Valley:

Name _____

Date _____



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Lye Valley Area of interest

Signed by the Chair of the Friends of Lye Valley:

Name _____

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