

# LANCASTER DISTRICT CAMPAIGN FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

## CONSTITUTION

### **Name:**

Lancaster District Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament.

### **Aims:**

To further the aims of CND in Lancaster District, by:

1. Organising, assisting and promoting campaign activity among CND members in the district.
2. Building relationships with like-minded organisations in the area and beyond, with a view to strengthening the overall impact of the campaign.

### **Affiliations within CND:**

The organisation shall be a Member Group of National CND.

The committee shall affiliate to such regional and/or area CND organisational bodies as it believes appropriate.

### **Membership:**

Individual membership will be available at a fee level, or levels, to be set by the Committee and paid annually.

The membership year shall run from June 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

### **The Committee:**

The Committee will consist of the following officers:

Chair  
Membership Secretary  
Newsletter Editor  
Newsletter Distribution Coordinator  
Press Officer  
Secretary  
Treasurer

together with a maximum of four Additional Members.

The committee shall be elected at the AGM.

Unless resigning, elected committee members shall submit themselves for re-election at each AGM.

Where offices are held jointly, both members will have a vote.

The Committee shall be responsible for both policy development and the day-to-day implementation of its decisions.

It shall have the power to co-opt additional, non-voting members for particular purposes.

### **Business Meetings of the Committee:**

The Committee shall meet at least 4 times per year.

Only Committee members will be eligible to vote at Business Meetings.

Meetings will be open to all LDCND members.

**Annual General Meetings:**

There will be an annual general meeting of the organisation for the election of a committee for the following year, and for the determination of overall policy issues for the guidance of the Committee.

The AGM shall also appoint an examiner for the group's accounts.

All members of LDCND will be eligible to vote at AGMs.

**Extraordinary General Meetings:**

Extraordinary General Meetings (EGM) may be called by the Committee, or by any 10 members of the organisation with the agreement of the Chair.

At least seven days notice of any EGM must be given to the membership, via a mailing.

All members of LDCND will be eligible to vote at EGMs.

**Control of Funds:**

Funds must be used solely for the furtherance of the aims of the organisation.

The committee shall maintain appropriate bank and/or savings accounts and shall nominate signatories to these accounts, who must be members of the committee.

Two signatures shall be required for each cheque or other item of expenditure in connection with LDCND accounts.

Accounts shall be kept by the Treasurer and examined.

The state of the accounts will be reported by the Treasurer to each Business Meeting and AGM.

A summary of the annual accounts shall be made available to members via the Newsletter.

**Communication with Members:**

The organisation will produce regular mailings.

Where appropriate, and as far as possible, these mailings will be electronic.

A paper Newsletter will also be produced at least 4 times a year.

**Amendments to the Constitution:**

The constitution can only be amended by an AGM or Extraordinary General Meeting.

To be adopted, amendments must be approved by a two-thirds majority of those present.

All members will be informed by Newsletter, and/or electronic mail of all proposed amendments at least 7 days before the meeting at which they are to be discussed.

**Dissolution:**

The organisation can be dissolved only by an AGM or Extraordinary General Meeting.

To be adopted, a resolution for dissolution must be approved by a two-thirds majority of those present.

On dissolution, all remaining funds shall be donated to National CND.

October 5th, 2006.