

WANTSUM SPORTS ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

- 1 **PURPOSE:** The management of the sports facilities at Bell Meadow, St. Nicholas at Wade, subject to agreement with St. Nicholas at Wade and Sarre Parish Council as to the extent of its responsibilities.

- 2 **MEMBERSHIP:** Committee membership will be limited to a maximum 16 comprising eight representatives from the affiliated sports organisations and eight resident representatives from the villages of St Nicholas and Sarre.

- 3 **THE ACCOUNTING YEAR:** shall be 1st September – 31st August each year.

- 4 **PAYMENTS:** all cheques will require two signatures from any of the four officers of the committee.

- 5 **AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS:** The Association will appoint an independent external auditor.

- 6 **THE COMMITTEE:** Each affiliated organisation shall have two members, each with one vote. The resident representatives on the committee shall have one vote each and the Parish Council representative shall have one vote. In the event of an equality in voting the Chairman shall have a casting vote. Voting will be by show of hands present at the meeting only and proxy votes shall not be allowed. A quorum shall consist of five persons with voting rights.

- 7 **THE OFFICERS OF THE COMMITTEE** shall be a Chairman, a Vice Chairman, a Secretary and a Treasurer to be elected at the Annual General Meeting from members of the committee or such other persons as the committee thinks fit. The committee may co-opt a person at any time to fill a vacancy.

- 8 **THE COMMITTEE** shall meet each quarter with an Annual General Meeting to be held in October each year The time and date to be arranged by the committee. At the discretion of the Chairman, an Extraordinary General Meeting shall be called at any time.

- 9 Non members may be invited to the committee meetings. Non members may attend the Association's AGM without an invitation. Non members have no voting rights.

- 10 **THE PAVILION AT BELL MEADOW,** including the bar and kitchen facilities, shall be available for the use of the members and guests of affiliated organisations, subject to control by the Committee. The Committee may hire out the Pavilion, with or without the bar and kitchen facilities, for private functions.

Approved at the Meeting 23rd September 2009