CONSTITUTION of Halesworth ASH March 2025

- 1. The name of the charity shall be Halesworth Area Sustainability Hub (Halesworth ASH) The address is East Lodge, Beccles Road, Holton, Halesworth, IP19 8NQ
- 2. The aim of Halesworth ASH is to assist and advise Halesworth Town Council (HTC) and Blyth Valley Churches (BVC) jointly and severally to work towards their carbon reduction targets, for the health and wellbeing of the local population, in particular by advocating and promoting:
 - i. Actions to mitigate climate change
 - ii. Measures to increase biodiversity and a resilient natural environment
 - iii. Practical ways to adapt to the effects of the climate emergency
- 3. In order to carry out its objectives, Halesworth ASH will
 - i. Open a bank account in its name
 - ii. Seek grants and donations

and has the authority to deposit or invest funds and appoint staff

- 4. Membership of Halesworth ASH shall consist of not more than 12 voluntary trustees including at least one member representing HTC and one representing BVC
 - i. Trustees shall be expected to serve initially for at least two years
 - ii. Trustees shall elect a chair, vice chair, secretary, and treasurer from among their number
 - iii. Election of officers shall take place annually
- 5. Meetings of the trustees may be held in person or electronically
 - Meetings shall be subject to at least four days' written notice
 - ii. Minutes of all such meetings shall be kept and circulated to all trustees within 14 days of the relevant meeting
 - iii. The quorum for all meetings shall be the lower of six, or 50% of the current trustees
- 6. Other individuals may be invited to join a wider group called Friends of Halesworth ASH
- 7. Halesworth ASH shall apply within 6 months of formation to become a registered charity
- 8. Halesworth ASH may be wound up by a 2/3 majority of trustees present and voting at a special general meeting. Any money or property remaining after payment of debts shall be divided equally between Halesworth Town Council and the Blyth Valley Churches.

This constitution was adopted on 31 March 2025

Witnessed by the following officers of Halesworth ASH.

Chair: Secretary: