**EAST MIDLANDS WELSH PONY & COB ASSOCIATION, CONSTITUTION**

**The Association**

The name of the Association shall be the ‘East Midlands Welsh Pony & Cob Association’

**Objects**

To promote the welfare, breeding and exhibition of registered Welsh ponies and cobs, and registered Part-breds

**Management**

The management of the Association shall be by a committee consisting of four officers, namely a Chairperson, Vice-chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and other members.

For the committee to be quorate 5 members shall be present.

**The Committee**

All committee members shall be paid up members of the Association.

Each member shall be proposed for election by one and seconded by another full paid up member of the Association.

The proposed, proposer and seconder shall have been members of the association for at least one full year.

Of the committee members half shall retire each year but may seek re-election. The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall serve for a period of 3 years and may seek re-election. The Secretary and Treasurer shall serve for a period of 2 years and may seek re-election. The 4 officers posts shall be filled wherever possible be filled by existing committee members who have served for at least one year. The committee shall have the power to co-opt additional members as necessary to fill any vacancy. Should a committee member miss 3 meetings, without sending apologies then that person shall resign from the committee.

**Financial Year**

The Associations financial year shall end on the 31st December annually. The committee shall have the power to deal with all funds of the Association for the benefit of the Association as a whole.

**AGM and SGM**

The AGM shall be held before the end of February annually.

The business at the AGM shall be to receive the committee’s report on the previous year, to receive a full statement of accounts for the previous year, duly audited by the person appointed as Honorary Auditor, who shall be a qualified accountant.

The elect the honorary Auditor for the following year.

To discuss any other business for which proper notice has been given.

To elect to office any committee places that have become vacant.