

# QUICKSILVER ORGANISATION CONSTITUTION

## **1 NAME**

Quicksilver Organisation

## **2 PURPOSES OF THE Organisation**

The purposes of the organisation are to promote the open source development of the Quicksilver source code, maintain an up-to-date list of accepted plugins for distribution through the Quicksilver application and to provide support for both users of the Quicksilver application, and to developers wishing to contribute to the project. This will be achieved through the distribution of resources and support manuals/ wikis.

## **3 TRUSTEES**

The organisation shall be managed and run by a group of Trustees, appointed through a democratic system by members of the organisation.

## **4 CARRYING OUT THE PURPOSES**

In order to carry out the purposes, the Trustees have the power to:

- (1) raise funds, receive grants and donations
- (2) apply funds to carry out the work of the organisation
- (3) use their existing expertise and knowledge to promote the organisation, and use its resources to help others
- (4) do anything which is lawful and necessary to achieve the purposes

## **5 MEMBERSHIP**

Any person claiming to support the organisation, and has previous evidence of this will be permitted to join the organisation as a member. Membership lasts indefinitely, or until the member is no longer deemed to be supporting the organisation.

## **6 ORGANISATION NEGOTIATIONS**

Negotiations of matters relating to the appointment of Trustees, members, or anything else related to the organisation will be discussed and archived through an online discussion group (Quicksilver Development Group), and will be transparent and open to anybody wishing to view the discussions.

## **7 MONEY AND PROPERTY**

- (1) Money and property must only be used for the organisation's purposes
- (2) Trustees must make requests for any money or property via the online discussion group. Access to an archive of the organisation's accounts will be given to anybody requesting them.

- (3) Trustees cannot receive any money or property from the organisation, except to refund reasonable out of pocket expenses, or if the organisation ceases to exist.
- (4) Money must be held in the organisation's bank account, held in the United Kingdom. Donations may temporarily be held in the organisation's online donation systems (PayPal, Flattr).
- (5) The Trustees agree for Patrick Jack Robertson to be the sole signatory on the organisation's bank account.

## 8 GENERAL MEETINGS

If the Trustees consider it is necessary to change the constitution, or wind up the organisation, they must call a General Meeting so that the membership can make a decision. Trustees must also call a General Meeting if they receive a written request from the majority of members. All members must be given 14 days notice and told the reason for the meeting. All decisions require a two thirds majority. Minutes must be kept.

- (1) **Winding up** - any money or property remaining after payment of debts may be distributed to an organisation with similar purposes, or distributed amongst the members, should a two thirds majority be reached
- (2) **Changes to the Constitution** - can be made at General Meetings or via a request through the online discussion group.
- (3) **General Meeting** - called on written request from a majority of members
- (4) Trustees may also call a General Meeting to consult the membership

## 9 SETTING UP THE ORGANISATION

This constitution was adopted on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2012 by the people whose signatures appear below. They are the first members of the organisation and will be the Trustees until further discussion is made via the online discussion group.

**Signed**

**Print name and address**

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