# PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE SPECIAL RESOLUTION

of

## THE K. O. S. B. ASSOCIATION FUNDS

(the "Company")

## **COMPANY NUMBER SC241125**

At an Annual General Meeting of the Members held at 1000 on 22 May 2015 the following resolution was passed as a Special Resolution:

## **SPECIAL RESOLUTION**

## Amendment of Articles of Association

"That the articles of association in the form annexed hereto for the purposes of identification be adopted as the articles of association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of the existing articles of association of the Company."

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## A Company Limited by Guarantee

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#### **Articles of Association**

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#### The K.O.S.B Association Funds

## Interpretation

1. In these regulations:-

"the Act" means the Companies Act 2006 including any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force.

"the 2005 Act" means the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005.

"the articles" means the articles of the company.

"clear days" in relation to the period of a notice means that period excluding the day when the notice is given or deemed to be given and the day for which it is given or on which it is to take effect.

"executed" includes any mode of execution.

"member" and "members" in relation to receiving notice of, attending and voting at meetings of the Company means life members only.

"office" means the registered office of the company.

"Regiment" means the former Regiment of The King's Own Scottish Borderers.

"the seal" means the common seal of the company.

"secretary" means the secretary of the company or any other person appointed to perform the duties of the secretary of the company, including a joint, assistant or deputy secretary.

"the United Kingdom" means Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Unless the context otherwise requires, words or expressions contained in these regulations bear the same meaning as in the Act but excluding any statutory modification thereof not in force when these regulations become binding on the company.

## Members

 The subscribers to the memorandum of association of the company and such other persons as are admitted to membership in accordance with the articles shall be members of the company.

## **Restrictions on Membership**

- 3. No employee of the company may become a member.
- 4. The directors shall be entitled at their discretion to refuse to admit any person to membership; in the case of an applicant nominated by a qualifying body, the directors shall be bound to refuse to admit the applicant to membership if another individual nominated by that body is

already entered as a current member in the register of members.

## **Application for Membership**

- 5. Any person (other than the subscribers to the memorandum of association of the company) who wishes to become a member shall lodge the company a written application for membership (in such form as the directors require), signed by him and, in the case of an applicant nominated by a qualifying body, signed by the appropriate official of the body nominating him for membership.
- 6. A person applying for admission as a member shall lodge such evidence in support of his application as the directors require.
- 7. Each application for membership shall be considered by the directors at the first meeting of the directors which is held after receipt by the company of the written application (and, if appropriate, supporting evidence) required under the preceding two articles.
- 8. The directors shall notify each applicant in writing of their decision as to whether or not to admit him to membership within seven days after the meeting at which the application is considered.

## **Cessation of Membership**

- 9. A member of the company shall cease to be a member of the company on his death or if he becomes of unsound mind or resigns his membership by notice in writing sent to or left with the secretary at the office.
- 10. A person admitted to membership shall automatically cease to be a member if he becomes an employee of the company, or if he ceases to be a Member of the Regimental Council.
- 11. The directors shall have the right for good and sufficient reason to terminate the membership of any member provided that the member concerned shall have a right to be heard before any final decision is made.

## **General Meetings**

- 12. All general meetings other than annual general meetings shall be called extraordinary general meetings.
- 13. An extraordinary general meeting shall be convened by the directors on requisition by members (under section 303 of the Act) or on requisition by a resigning auditor (under section 518 of the Act).
- 14. Subject to the preceding article, the directors may convene general meetings whenever they think fit.

## **Notice of General Meetings**

- 15. An annual general meeting and an extraordinary general meeting convened for the passing of a special resolution or a resolution requiring special notice shall be called by at least twenty one clear days' notice; all other extraordinary general meetings shall be called by at least fourteen clear days' notice.
- 16. A notice convening a meeting shall specify the time and place of the meeting; it shall also state the terms of any resolution which is to be proposed as a special resolution or extraordinary resolution or which constitutes a resolution requiring special notice and shall indicate the general nature of any other business to be transacted at the meeting.
- 17. A notice convening an annual general meeting shall specify the meeting as an annual general meeting.

- 18. Notice of every general meeting shall be given to all the members and directors and to the auditors.
- 19. The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to, or the non-receipt of notice of a meeting by, any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate the proceedings at that meeting.

## **Proceedings at General Meetings**

- 20. No business shall be transacted at any meeting unless a quorum is present; five persons entitled to vote upon the business to be transacted, each being a member or a proxy for a member, shall be a quorum.
- 21. If the quorum required under the preceding article is not present within half an hour after the time appointed for the meeting, or if during a meeting such a quorum ceases to be present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to such time and place as may be fixed by the chairman of the meeting.
- 22. The Chairman (or, in his absence, the Vice Chairman) shall (if present and willing to act as chairman) preside as chairman of the meeting; if neither the Chairman nor the Vice Chairman is present and willing to act as chairman within half an hour of the time appointed for holding the meeting, the directors present shall elect one of their number to act as chairman or, if there is only one director present and willing to act, he shall be chairman.
- 23. If no director willing to act as chairman is present within half an hour after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the members present shall elect one of their number to be chairman.
- 24. A director shall, notwithstanding that he is not a member, be entitled to attend and speak at any general meeting.
- 25. The chairman may, with the consent of the meeting at which a quorum is present (and shall if so directed by the meeting), adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place.
- 26. No business shall be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than business which could properly have been transacted at the meeting which was adjourned if the adjournment had not taken place.
- 27. Where a meeting is adjourned for thirty days or more, at least seven clear days' notice shall be given specifying the time and place of the adjourned meeting and indicating the general nature of the business to be transacted; in any other case, it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjourned meeting.
- 28. A resolution put to the vote of a meeting shall be decided on a show of hands unless before, or on the declaration of the result of, the show of hands a poll is demanded by the chairman or by at least two members having the right to vote at the meeting and a demand by a person as proxy for a member shall be deemed to be a demand by such member.
- 29. Unless a poll is demanded in accordance with the preceding article, a declaration by the chairman that a resolution has been carried or carried unanimously or by a particular majority or lost or not carried by a particular majority, and an entry to that effect in the minutes of the meeting, shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against the resolution.
- 30. The demand for a poll may, before the poll is taken, be withdrawn but only with the consent of the chairman; a demand so withdrawn shall not invalidate the result of a show of hands declared before the demand was made nor the result of a show of hands declared after the demand is so withdrawn.
- 31. If a poll is demanded in accordance with article 28, it shall be taken at once by means of a secret ballot of all the persons present and entitled to vote (whether as members or as proxies for members) conducted in such manner as the chairman may direct; the result of such poll

shall be declared at the meeting at which the poll was demanded.

32. A resolution In writing signed by all the members shall be as effectual as if it had been passed at a general meeting duly convened and held; it may consist of several documents in the same form each signed by one or more members.

#### **Votes of Members**

- 33. Every member shall have one vote which may be given either personally or (whether on a show of hands or on a poll) by proxy.
- 34. A member who wishes to appoint a proxy to vote on his behalf at any meeting (or adjourned meeting) shall lodge with the company, at the office, not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting (or, as the case may be, adjourned meeting), a written instrument of proxy (in such form as the directors require), signed by him; an instrument of proxy which does not conform with the preceding provisions or which is not lodged in accordance with such provisions shall be invalid.
- 35. A member shall not be entitled to appoint more than one proxy to attend on the same occasion.
- 36. A proxy appointed to attend and vote at any meeting instead of a member shall have the same right as the member who appointed him to speak at the meeting and need not be a member of the company.
- 37. A vote given, or poll demanded, by proxy shall be valid notwithstanding that the authority of the person voting or demanding a poll had terminated prior to the giving of such vote or demanding of such poll unless notice of such termination was received by the company at the office before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote was given or the poll demanded.
- 38. In the case of an equality of votes, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, the chairman of the meeting shall be entitled to a casting vote in addition to any other vote he may have.
- 39. No objection may be raised as to the validity of any vote except at the meeting at which the vote objected to is tendered, and every vote not disallowed at the meeting shall be valid; any such objection shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting whose decision shall be final and conclusive.

#### **Maximum and Minimum Number of Directors**

40. The maximum number of directors (other than alternate directors) shall unless otherwise determined by special resolution) be fifteen and (unless otherwise determined by special resolution) the minimum number of directors shall be four.

## Appointment, Retiral, Re-appointment

- 41. Any member who wishes to be considered for appointment as a director at an annual general meeting shall lodge with the company a written notice of his willingness to be appointed (in such form as the directors, require), signed by him, at any time up to commencement of the annual general meeting.
- 42. At an annual general meeting the company may by ordinary resolution appoint as a director any member in respect of whom a written notice of willingness to accept such an appointment has been received in compliance with the preceding article.
- 43. The directors may at any time appoint any member (providing he is willing to act), to be a director either to fill a vacancy or as an additional director.
- 44. At the first annual general meeting all the directors shall retire from office.

- 45. At each annual general meeting (other than the first)
  - (a) all directors who have been appointed by the directors since the date of the last annual general meeting shall retire from office and
  - (b) out of the remaining directors, one third (to the nearest round number) shall retire from office.
- 46. The directors to retire under paragraph (b) of article 45 shall be those who have been longest in office since they were last appointed or re-appointed; the question of who is to retire as between directors appointed or re-appointed on the same date shall be determined by lot.
- 47. The company may at any annual general meeting by ordinary resolution re-appoint any director who retires from office at the meeting under articles 44 or 45 (providing he is willing to act); if any such director is not re-appointed, he shall retain office until the meeting appoints someone in his place or, if it does not do so, until the end of the meeting.

## **Disqualification and Removal of Directors**

- 48. A director shall vacate office if:
  - (c) he ceases to be a director by virtue of any provision of the Act or becomes prohibited by law from being a director;
  - (d) he becomes bankrupt or apparently insolvent;
  - (e) he become incapable for medical reasons of fulfilling the duties of his office and such incapacity is expected to continue for a period of more than six months;
  - (f) he becomes an employee of the company;
  - (g) he ceases to be a member of the company;
  - (h) he resigns office by notice to the company or
  - (i) he is absent (without permission of the directors) from more than three successive meetings of directors held in any period of six months or more and the directors resolve to remove him from office.

## **Appointments to Executive Office**

- 49. The President of the King's Own Scottish Borderers' Association shall be appointed Chairman, and the Vice Chairman of the King's Own Scottish Borderers' Association shall be appointed Vice Chairman. Directors shall be appointed to hold the offices of treasurer and such other executive offices as the directors may consider appropriate; each such office shall be held, subject to article 52, until the conclusion of the annual general meeting which next follows appointment.
- 50. The appointments to executive office under the preceding article shall, subject to article 53, be made at a meeting of directors held as soon as reasonably practicable after the incorporation of the company and thereafter at a meeting of directors held immediately after each annual general meeting.
- 51. A director whose period of executive office expires under article 49 may be reappointed to such office (providing he is willing to act).
- 52. The appointment of any director to executive office shall terminate if he ceases to be a director or if he resigns from such executive office by notice to the company.
- 53. If the appointment of any director to executive office terminates under the preceding article, the

directors shall, at a meeting of directors held as soon as reasonably practicable after such termination, appoint another director to hold such office in his place; a director so appointed shall (subject to article 52) hold such executive office until the conclusion of the first annual general meeting which follows such appointment.

## **Directors' Interests**

- 54. Subject to the provisions of the Act and of clause 4 of the memorandum of association and provided that he has disclosed to the directors the nature and extent of any material interest of his, a director notwithstanding his office.
  - (a) may be a party to, or otherwise interested in, any transaction or arrangement with the company or in which the company is otherwise interested
  - (b) may be a director or other officer of, or employed by, or a party to any transaction or arrangement with, or otherwise interested in, any body corporate promoted by the company or in which the company is otherwise interested and
  - (c) shall not, by reason of his office, be accountable to the company for any benefit which he derives from any such office or employment or from any such transaction or arrangement or from any interest in any such body corporate and no such transaction or arrangement shall be liable to be treated as void on the ground of any such interest or benefit.
- 55. For the purposes of the preceding article
  - (a) a general notice given to the directors that a director is to be regarded as having an interest of the nature and extent specified in the notice in any transaction or arrangement in which a specified person or class of persons is interested shall be deemed to be a disclosure that the director has an interest in any such transaction of the nature and extent so specified and
  - (b) an interest of which a director has no knowledge and of which it is unreasonable to expect him to have knowledge shall not be treated as an interest of his.

## **Directors' Remuneration and Expenses**

- 56. No director shall be entitled to any remuneration, whether in respect of his office as director or as holder of any executive office under the company.
- 57. The directors may be paid all travelling and other expenses properly incurred by them in connection with their attendance at meetings of directors, general meetings, meetings of committees of directors or meetings of general committees (as defined in article 82) or otherwise in connection with the discharge of their duties.

## **Powers of Directors**

- 58. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the memorandum of association and the articles and to any directions given by special resolution, the business of the company shall be managed by the directors who may exercise all the powers of the company.
- 59. No alteration of the memorandum of association or these articles and no direction given by special resolution shall invalidate any prior act of the directors which would have been valid if that alteration had not been made or that direction had not been given.
- 60. The powers conferred by article 58 shall not be limited by any special power conferred on the directors by the articles.
- 61. A meeting of directors at which a quorum is present may exercise all powers exerciseable by the directors.

62. The directors may, by power of attorney or otherwise, appoint any person to be the agent of the company for such purpose and on such conditions as they may determine, including authority for the agent to delegate all or any of his powers.

## **Proceedings of Directors**

- 63. Subject to the provisions of the articles, the directors may regulate their proceedings as they think fit.
- 64. Any director may call a meeting of the directors or request the Secretary to call a meeting of the directors.
- 65. No notice of a meeting of directors need be given to a director who is absent from the United Kingdom.
- 66. Questions arising at a meeting of directors shall be decided by a majority of votes; in the case of an equality of votes, the chairman shall have a second or casting vote.
- 67. The quorum for the transaction of the business of the directors shall be four; a person (other than a director) acting as alternate director shall, if his appointor is not present, be counted in the quorum.
- 68. The continuing directors or a sole continuing director may act notwithstanding vacancies but if the number of remaining directors is less than the number fixed as the quorum, they or he may act only for the purpose of filling vacancies or of calling a general meeting.
- 69. Unless he is unwilling to do so, the President shall preside as chairman at every meeting of directors at which he is present.
- 70. If the Chairman is unwilling to act as chairman or is not present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for the meeting, the Vice Chairman shall act as chairman; if the Vice Chairman is not willing to act as chairman or is not present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for the meeting, the directors present may appoint one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.
- 71. All acts done by a meeting of directors or by a meeting of a committee of directors or by a person acting as a director shall, notwithstanding that it is afterwards discovered that there was a defect in the appointment of any director or that any of them was disqualified from holding office or had vacated office or was not entitled to vote, be as valid as if every such person bad been duly appointed and was qualified and had continued to be a director and had been entitled to vote.
- 72. A resolution in writing signed by all the directors entitled to receive notice of a meeting of directors or of a committee of directors shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of directors or (as the case may be) a committee of directors duly convened and held; it may consist of several documents in the same form each signed by one or more directors.
- 73. Except as otherwise provided by the articles, a director shall not vote at a meeting of directors or at a meeting of a committee of directors on any resolution concerning a matter in which he has, directly or indirectly, an interest or duty which is material and which conflicts or may conflict with the Interests of the company unless his interest or duty arises only because the case falls within either or both of the following paragraphs:-
  - (a) the resolution relates to the giving to him of a guarantee, security or indemnity in respect of money lent to, or any obligation incurred by him for the benefit of, the company or any of its subsidiaries

meeting of directors) shall hold office as President of the committee.

- 87. Each general committee shall regulate its proceedings in accordance with the directions issued by the directors and shall give effect to any instruction or decision on matters of principle Issued or made by the directors.
- 88. Unless otherwise determined by special resolution, the following matters shall be excluded from delegation to any general committee
  - (a) any introduction of a new policy or any change in policy which could have a significant impact on the company or which would fall within the responsibility of another committee or conflict with the declared policy of another committee;
  - (b) any matter involving expenditure not in accordance with the financial regulations of the company;
  - (c) any capital building project;
  - (d) the appointment or dismissal of any employee of the company.
- 89. All contracts with third parties in connection with the discharge of the functions of a general committee shall be entered into by the President of the committee or, in his absence, by some other director of the company; no member of a general committee (other than a director) shall contract, or hold himself out as contracting, on behalf of the company.
- 90. All acts done by a general committee shall, notwithstanding that it is afterwards discovered that there was a defect in the appointment of any member of the committee or that any member of the committee was not qualified to act as such, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was so qualified.
- 91. A resolution hi writing signed by all the members of a general committee shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the committee duly convened and held; it may consist of several documents in the same form each signed by one or more members of the committee.
- 92. A resolution signed by an alternate director appointed by a director who is a member of a general committee need not also be signed by his appointor; a resolution signed by a member of a general committee who has appointed an alternate director need not be signed by the alternate director in that capacity.

## Secretary

93. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the secretary shall be appointed by the directors for such term, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as they may think fit; and any secretary so appointed may be removed by them.

## **Minutes**

94. The directors shall ensure that minutes are made (in books kept for the purpose) of all proceedings at general meetings, meetings of the directors, meetings of committees of directors and meetings of general committees; a minute of a meeting of directors or of a committee of directors shall include the names of the directors present.

## Seal

95. The Company may have a seal if it so wishes. Insofar as the Company has a seal it shall only be used with the consent of the Directors or of a committee of Directors. The Directors may determine who shall sign any instrument to which the seal is to be affixed and unless otherwise so determined it shall be signed by a Director and also by the Company Secretary or by a second Director. The Obligation under Clause 6 of Table A relating to the sealing of share

- (b) the resolution relates to the giving to a third party of a guarantee, security or indemnity in respect of an obligation of the company or any of its subsidiaries for which the director has assumed responsibility in whole or part (and whether alone or jointly with others) under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security.
- 74. For the purposes of the preceding article, an interest of a person who is, for any purpose of the Act (excluding any statutory modification not in force at the date of incorporation of the company), connected with a director shall be treated as an interest of the director.
- 75. A director shall not be counted in the quorum present at a meeting in relation to a resolution on which he is not entitled to vote.
- 76. The company may by special resolution suspend or relax to any extent, either generally or in respect of any particular matter, any provision of the articles prohibiting a director from voting at a meeting of the directors or at a meeting of a committee of directors.
- 77. Where proposals are under consideration concerning the appointment of two or more directors to executive offices with the company the proposals may be divided and considered in relation to each director separately; provided he is not for another reason precluded from voting, each of the directors concerned shall be entitled to vote and be counted in the quorum in respect of each resolution except that concerning his own appointment.
- 78. If a question arises at a meeting of directors or at a meeting of a committee of directors as to the right of a director to vote, the question may, before the conclusion of the meeting, be referred to the chairman of the meeting; his ruling in relation to any director other than himself shall be final and conclusive.
- 79. The directors may invite or allow any person to attend and speak, but not to vote, at any meeting or meetings of the directors or of any committee of the directors.

## **Delegation to Committees of Directors and Holders of Executive Office**

- 80. The directors may delegate any of their powers to any committee consisting of one or more directors; they may also delegate to the President or any director holding any other executive office such of their powers as they consider desirable to be exercised by him.
- 81. Any delegation of powers under the preceding article may be made subject to such conditions as the directors may impose and either collaterally with or to the exclusion of their own powers and may be revoked or altered.
- 82. Subject to any condition imposed in pursuance of the preceding article, the proceedings of a committee consisting of two or more directors shall be governed by the articles regulating the proceedings of meetings of directors so far as they are capable of applying.

## **Delegation to General Committees**

- 83. For the purposes of the articles, "general committee" means a committee appointed by the directors whose constitution complies with article 85.
- 84. The directors may, subject to articles 87, 88 and 89, delegate to any general committee all such powers as the directors may think fit; any such delegation shall be made collaterally with, and not to the exclusion of, the director's powers and may be revoked or altered.
- 85. The members of a general committee shall include at least one director and a majority of the other members of the committee shall be members of the company; the remaining members of the committee need not be members of the company.
- 86. The director included among the members of a general committee (or, if more than one director is included among the members of the committee, the director appointed to such office at a

- certificates shall only apply if the Company has a seal. Clause 101 of Table A shall not apply to the Company.
- 96. The directors shall cause accounting records to be kept by the company in accordance with Section 386 of the Act.
- 97. The accounting records shall be kept at the office or, subject to section 388 of the Act, at such other place or places as the directors may think fit, and the accounting records shall always be open to the inspection of any director.

#### **Accounts**

98. No member shall (as such) have any right of inspecting any accounting records or other book or document of the company except as conferred by statute or as authorised by the directors or by ordinary resolution of the company.

## **Independent Examiner**

99. An Independent Examiner shall be appointed to prepare the accounts and their duties regulated in accordance with the Act and the 2005 Act.

## **Notices**

- 100. Any notice to be given in pursuance of these articles shall be in writing; the company may give any such notice to a member either personally or by sending it by post in a pre-paid envelope addressed to the member at his registered address or by leaving it at that address.
- 101. Any notice, if sent by post, shall be deemed to have been given at the expiry of twenty four hours after posting; for the purpose of proving that any notice was given, it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope containing the notice was properly addressed and posted.
- 102. A member present at any meeting of the company shall be deemed to have received notice of the meeting and, where requisite, of the purposes for which it was called.

## Winding-Up

103. If the company is wound up, the liquidator shall transfer the assets of the company to an appropriate body in accordance with the provisions of the memorandum of association.

## Indemnity

104. Subject to the provisions of the Act but without prejudice to any indemnity to which a director may otherwise be entitled, every director or other officer or auditor of the company shall be indemnified out of the assets of the company against any loss or liability which he may sustain or incur in connection with the execution of the duties of his office including, without prejudice to that generality, any liability incurred by him in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, in which judgement is given in his favour or in which he is acquitted or in connection with any application in which relief is granted to him by the court from liability for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the affairs of the company.