***Constitution***

***of xxxx Ladies Gaelic Football Association***

**1. Name:** xxxxx Ladies Gaelic Football Association

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**2. Object:** The object for which xxxxx Ladies Gaelic Football Association is established is solely for the purpose of promoting, fostering and developing ladies gaelic football in xxxx. The Association shall endeavor to support the advancement of the Irish Language and other aspects of Irish Culture.

**3. Powers:** To the extent that the same are essential or ancillary to the promotion of the object of xxx Ladies Gaelic Football Association as heretofore set out, xxxx Ladies Gaelic Football may exercise the following powers:

xxxxx Ladies Gaelic Association shall have the power to raise finance and to control, administer and utilize the funds at their disposal in the interests of the Association.

The Association shall have the power to grade, to re-grade players and teams at Club level; to control and organize all competitions within the County; to control club affiliations and registration. They shall have the responsibility of the Management of County Teams. The Association may defer club games within 5 days (excluding the day of the fixture) before a competitive Inter-County fixture and players from the county panel must be allowed to play with their clubs outside that five day period. If a county qualifies for a Provincial Final or All Ireland Semi Final, the 5 day period may be extended with the approval of the County Board. The Association has the authority to send nominations and motions to Provincial and Central Council. The Association has the power to fine clubs for failure to attend County Board Meeting. The maximum fine shall be €50 per meeting.

**4. Rules: xxxxx** Ladies Gaelic Football Association shall be in accordance with the rules andregulations as set out in the Official Guide of the National Governing Body for the time being in force.

**5. Additions, alterations or amendments:** No addition, alteration or amendment shall be made to the provisions of the object(s) clause, the income and property clause, the winding up clause, the keeping of accounts clause or this clause of the Constitution for the time being in force unless the same shall have been previously approved in writing by the Revenue Commissioners.

**6. Income and Property:** The income and property of xxxxxx Ladies Gaelic Football Association shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the object(s) as set forth in this Constitution.  No portion of xxxx Ladies Gaelic Football Association’s income and property shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to members of the Association.  No officer shall be appointed to any office of the Association paid by salary or fees, or receive any remuneration or other benefit in money or money’s worth from the Association.  However, nothing shall prevent any payment in good faith by the Association of:

1. reasonable and proper remuneration to any member or servant of the Association (not being an officer) for any services rendered to the Association;
2. interest at a rate not exceeding 1% above the Euro Interbank Offered Rate (Euribor)  per annum on money lent by an officer or other members of the Association to the Association;
3. reasonable and proper rent for premises demised and let by any member of the Association (including any officer) to the Association;
4. reasonable and proper out-of-pocket expenses incurred by any officer in connection with their attendance to any matter affecting the Association;
5. fees, remuneration or other benefit in money or money’s worth to any Company of which an officer may be a member holding not more than one hundredth part of the issued capital of such Company.

**7. Winding-up:** If upon the winding up or dissolution of the Association there remains, after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, it shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Association. Instead, such property shall be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Association.  The institution or institutions to which the property is to be given or transferred shall prohibit the distribution of their income and property among their members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on the Club under or by virtue of the Income and Property clause, hereof. Members of the Association shall select the relevant institution or institutions at or before the time of dissolution, and if and so far as effect cannot be given to such provisions, then the property shall be given or transferred to some charitable object.  Final accounts will be prepared and submitted that will include a section that identifies and values any assets transferred along with the details of the recipients and the terms of the transfer.

**8. Keeping of Accounts:** Annual accounts shall be kept and made available to Revenue on request. Where the gross annual income exceeds €250,000 the accounts will be audited.

**Signed: .................................................. Signed:...............................................**

 **Chairperson Secretary**

**Signed: ...................................................... Date .....................................**

 **Treasurer**