

Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014

Acknowledgement of registration of a rule amendment

This document acknowledges the registration of the amendment of the attached rules under Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 for:

Society: Stokes Croft Land Trust

Registration number: 7004

Date: **08 October 2021**



**PARTIAL AMENDMENT OF RULES OF STOKES CROFT LAND TRUST
JUNE 2021**

1. Replace the words "registered society" in paragraph 94 with the words: "another charity or charity in law"
2. Replace the words "charitable body" in paragraph 97 with the words: "charity or charity in law"

SIGNED:

Three Members:

Andy John Burkell

Keith Corring

C. J. J. J.

Secretary:

Andrew Peter Baker

ANDREW PETER BAKER

Partial Rule Amendment form

Society Name: Stokes Croft Land Trust

Society Num: 7004

Use this form to register a partial rule change for a society registered under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 ('2014 Act') except credit unions. Partial amendments change, add to, or delete some rules from the existing registered rules. If your rule amendment involves the renumbering of rules, please apply for a complete amendment instead.

To register a partial amendment of rules we need:

- this completed form
- one signed copy of the proposed rule amendment (or two copies where not submitting electronically). The amendment should be worded as a direction to members, telling them exactly what they should do to make the necessary changes to their own copy of the rule book. Please see page x for an example.
- a marked up version of the rules tracking changes made to the model when a set of model rules is used
- a completed [Statutory Declaration form](#).

This form, including any details provided on the form, will be made available to the public through the Mutuels Public Register.

Societies may find it helpful to read Chapter 3 of our guidance on our registration function under the 2014 Act before completing this [form](#)

All societies are registered meeting one of two conditions for registration. These are that the society is either:

- a bona fide co-operative society ('co-operative society'); or
- are conducting business for the benefit of the community ('community benefit society').

Your society is registered meeting the condition for registration that it is conducting its business for the benefit of the community.

We must maintain arrangements that are designed to enable us to determine whether a society is complying with the 2014 Act. One way we do this is by requiring societies to complete the questions in the next section.

For further information on the condition for registration, please see chapter 5 of our guidance [here](#).

Community benefit societies must answer the following questions in relation to the financial year covered by this return.

3B.1 What is the business of the society?

For example, do you provide social housing, run an amateur sports club etc.

The promotion for the public benefit of urban regeneration in areas of social and economic deprivation and in particular the Stokes Croft area of Bristol

3B.2 Please describe the benefits to the community the society?

Here we are looking to see what the benefits to the community are. Community can be said to be the community at large. For example, do you relieve poverty or homelessness through providing social housing.

The advancement of community development through the promotion of urban regeneration.
The relief of poverty through the fostering of a vibrant and sustainable local economy in Stokes Croft
The advancement of the Arts and culture through the promotion and support of artistic activity,
The advancement of education and training through the provision, improvement or maintenance of community amenities and the development of skills and resources to improve the visual amenity of Stokes Croft.
The advancement of the Arts and heritage, through the protection, conservation and enhancement of the historic environment and fabric of Stokes Croft.
The advancement of environmental improvement through the adoption of best practice in sustainable development and conservation of the environment.
The relief of those in need, by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage, by the provision of housing and the improvement of housing in the public sector or in charitable ownership.

3B.3 Please describe how the society's business delivered these benefits?

The business of the society must be conducted for the benefit of the community. Please describe how the society's business (as described in answer to question 3B.1) provides benefit to the community.

The Trust will deliver the above benefits by:

- providing and retaining local facilities for the purposes of urban regeneration through community ownership;
- providing infrastructure, workspace, or land, on favourable terms to new and existing businesses which contribute to Stokes Croft's role as a cultural quarter of the city of Bristol;
- promoting the creative re-use and/or improvement of buildings or sites of cultural, historical or architectural significance;
- promoting the preservation and appreciation of Stokes Croft by disseminating to the whole community educational and historical information of its social and economic importance.
- offering and encouraging examples of alternative economy, innovation and best practice, testing new theories where appropriate to changing conditions; and
- providing housing to the disadvantaged and improving housing in the public sector or in charitable ownership.

3B.4 Did the society work with a specific community, and if so, please describe it here?

For instance, were the society's activities confined to a specific location; or to a specific group of people? Please note that in serving the needs of any defined community, the society should not inhibit the benefit to the community at large.

The Trust will work particularly in the Stokes Croft area of Bristol, which is a deprived inner city area. The Rules do also allow for the Trust to work in any area of social and economic deprivation.

3B.5 What did the society do with any surplus or profit?

For instance, did you pay a dividend to members (and if so, on what basis); did money get reinvested in the business; put into reserves; used for some other purpose?

Surpluses or profits are reinvested in the business of the Trust.

3B.6 Please state any significant commercial arrangements that the society has, or had, with any other organisation that could create, or be perceived as creating, a conflict of interest.

Please tell us how you ensured that any such conflict of interest did not prevent the society from acting for the benefit of the community.

None.

3B.7 Please state any close links which any of the directors has with any society, company or authority.

'Close links' includes any directorships or senior positions held by directors of the society in other organisations.

C Chalkley and K Cowling are directors of People's Republic of Stokes Croft CIC.
K Cowling is also a director of Community Led Housing West CIC and Wernbrake Woodland Limited.
A Burkitt is a director of Locus Hub, Living Your Life, Lylife Ltd, Felix Road Adventure Playground Association Ltd, and Ashley Community & Housing Ltd.
K Chiswell-Jones is a director Illuminarium Ltd and company manager of Artspace Lifespace CIO.
A Baker is a director of Fastock Ltd.

4.1 Please confirm the rules have been signed by 3 members and the secretary (4 signatures in total)

The rules contain the required signatures

4.2 Please confirm either:

- Model rules have not been used.
- Model rules have been used without amendment
- An amended set of model rules have been used, and a marked up copy detailing the changes made to the model is included with the application.

5.1 Please confirm you have completed and are submitting a Statutory Declaration along with this application form.

Completed Statutory Declaration enclosed

Example Partial Rule Amendment

Please click [here](#) for an example partial rule amendment

Statutory declaration

Use this form to provide a statutory declaration accompanying a rule change.

An officer of the society must complete this section:

Name	Andrew Peter Baker
Role	Secretary

I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the amendment of rules complies with the legislative requirements and has been duly made by the society in the manner provided in its rules for the making, altering or rescinding of rules.

I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and by the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

Signature *Andrew Peter Baker*

Date 16 09 2021

This was declared before me, a:

- Solicitor
- Commissioner for oaths
- Notary Public
- Justice of the Peace

Name	<i>Phillip Hogan</i>
Declared at:	<i>18 PORRANO SQUARE BOSTON BS2 8SD</i>
Signature	<i>P.H.</i>

Date 16 09 2021