

## **KINGHORN LOCH USERS GROUP**

***Constitution of 12<sup>th</sup> May 2008.***

### ***Membership.***

Kinghorn Loch Users Group (KLUG) is constituted to represent the interests of all users of Kinghorn Loch. As such, landowners, organisations, societies or groups (referred to as “bodies”) may apply for membership of KLUG. The committee may co-opt individuals who can bring benefit to KLUG by their specialist knowledge.

A legitimate interest is one which:

- Is not undertaken for profit,
- Does not degrade the physical state or biodiversity of the loch, its shore or surrounding countryside,
- Does not degrade in any significant way the pleasure of other groups of users or the wider community gained from use of the loch, its shore and surrounding land and countryside,
- Promotes sustainable and improved use of the loch and its resources.

By way of illustration, it is expected that membership may include canoeing, sailing and rod fishing interests, Fife Council recreational, tourism and ranger functions, Kinghorn Community Council and other local leisure groups, and ecology and countryside groups. Each landowner that borders onto the loch shall be entitled to be a member of KLUG.

KLUG will maintain a list of eligible “bodies” (landowners, community council, organisations, societies and groups as far as it is aware exists and are eligible. KLUG will endeavour to ensure that each eligible body is aware of that eligibility, and that it may apply to join.

### ***Management.***

KLUG is a non-profit making environmental body whose object is to maintain and improve the public amenity of Kinghorn Loch (in the vicinity of Whinnyhall Landfill Site) and its environs by:

- Encouraging sustainable use of Kinghorn Loch and its shores,
- Maintaining and where possible and necessary improving water quality,
- Protecting existing wildlife and natural habitat and improving biodiversity,

Developing and enhancing the facilities of the loch and its shore in furtherance of this object.

KLUG shall not distribute profits and shall apply all of its income to the furtherance of the objects above.

The work of KLUG shall not be for the benefit of landfill site operators who may contribute to KLUG and claim credit under the Landfill Tax Credit Scheme. Nor shall it be for the benefit of contributing third parties, as defined in the landfill tax regulations.

KLUG shall not carry out, promote or pay for work required to be completed under any notice issued under the Control of Pollution Act 1974, the Environmental Protection Act 1990, the Water Resources Act 1991, or required by any planning permission, statutory consent or by agreement under S75 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Scotland) 1997.

All the activities, operations and work of KLUG shall be controlled by the management committee of KLUG.