

## Malvern Hills Trust

### Timeline of initial proposals for Charities Act Scheme

#### 31 July 2014

Extract from minutes of the Governance Committee

It was AGREED to recommend to the Board investigation of options to include the following:

- a) Whether MHC land should be made inalienable. (Unanimous)
- b) Different ways of enforcing byelaws. (Unanimous)
- c) A power to precept more widely. (Unanimous)
- d) A power to fence/install cattle grids. (Unanimous)
- e) A power to sell buildings. (Unanimous)
- f) Updating the description of the Board's purpose. (Unanimous)
- g) Introduction of the ability to remove Board members. (Unanimous)
- h) A power to build to house livestock and associated purposes (to include stock handling facilities). (Unanimous)
- i) Revision of the restrictions on the way in which MHC could use the Parliamentary Fund and the Land Acquisition Fund. (Unanimous)
- j) Remove the requirements to comply with Commissioner's Clauses Act 1847. (Unanimous)
- k) Allowing Board members to claim expenses. (With one against)
- l) Amending the process for appointment of Board members. (With one against)
- m) Reduction of the size of the Board (With one against)

#### 11 September 2014

Board meeting (11 September 2014)

**RESOLVED** unanimously that the Governance Committee should establish a working group to develop a scheme to amend MHC Acts of Parliament – working with the Director and with external advisors (where appropriate). The working group should look further into the feasibility of making the changes listed in Paper C\* – along with other amendments deemed necessary. Final proposals for the scheme must be approved by the Board before being communicated to the Charity Commission. The need for public consultation was recognised.

\* Proposals in Paper C for meeting of 11 September 2014:

1. Amend the process for selecting Board members
2. Reduce the size of the Board to below 14 members;
3. Allow Board members to claim expenses for attending meetings
4. Remove requirement to comply with Commissioners Clauses Act 1847
5. Removal of the restrictions on use of Land Acquisition Fund and Parliamentary Fund
6. Power to build for housing of livestock and associated purposes
7. Ability to remove Board members
8. Update of the Board's purposes
9. Allow for sale of buildings
10. Ability to fence/install cattle grids
11. Introduce powers to precept more widely
12. Strengthen our powers to enforce the byelaws
13. Introduce power to make our land inalienable
14. Remove the requirement to hold meetings on second Thursday of the month