Articles of Association

Company Name: Connections for Families CIC

Registered Office: Upper Floor, 2 Vernon Street, Saltcoats, North Ayrshire, KA21 5HN

1. Interpretation

1.1 In these Articles:

- "The Act" means the Companies Act 2006 including any statutory modification or re-enactment.
- "The Company" means Connections for Families CIC.
- "Director" means a director of the Company.
- "Member" means a person who agrees to become a member and whose name is entered in the register of members.

2. Objects

- 2.1 The Company is established to benefit the community, specifically families raising or supporting children and young people with Additional Support Needs (ASN). The Company's activities will include:
- a) Supporting family wellbeing through nurture, mentoring, and peer support.
- b) Offering training to carers, parents, and community members to promote employment and care quality.
- c) Recognising and supporting young carers and siblings.
- d) Offering guidance on financial, legal, and long-term planning.
- e) Creating respite and recreational opportunities.
- f) Promoting inclusion, equality, and community resilience.

3. Powers

- 3.1 The Company has the power to do anything lawful to further its objects, including:
- a) Entering into contracts.
- b) Employing staff.
- c) Raising funds.
- d) Working with partners and commissioning services.

4. Asset Lock

- 4.1 The Company shall not transfer any assets to its members or directors except as permitted by law.
- 4.2 If the Company is wound up, any remaining assets must be transferred to another asset-locked body with similar community benefit purposes, subject to CIC Regulator approval.

5. Members

- 5.1 The liability of members is limited.
- 5.2 Each member agrees to contribute £1 in the event of the Company being wound up.
- 5.3 The Board may admit or remove members according to agreed procedures.

6. Directors

- 6.1 The affairs of the Company shall be managed by a Board of Directors.
- 6.2 Directors must act in accordance with the Company's objects and CIC legislation.
- 6.3 Directors will meet regularly and make decisions in accordance with internal governance procedures.

7. General Meetings and Resolutions

- 7.1 The Company shall hold general meetings as required.
- 7.2 Resolutions may be passed by a majority or as special resolutions requiring 75% agreement, depending on the matter.

8. CIC Compliance

- 8.1 The Company shall comply with all requirements of the Community Interest Company Regulator.
- 8.2 The Company shall prepare and submit an annual community interest report.