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## VOLUNTEER OWNED PLANT

# POLICY NO 8

#### Scope

This policy covers the situation where H&GCT volunteers own plant, such as tractors, excavators and dumpers which are used to carry out works in the restoration of the H&G Canal.

It does not cover hand tools, hand held power tools and stand alone equipment such as pumps or generators.

#### **Approval Requirements**

Prior to any individual volunteer or syndicate of volunteers proposing to purchase any plant for use in the restoration of the H&G Canal, a proposal must be submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval

The proposal needs to describe what plant is to be purchase, its intended use, the anticipated cost, the names of the syndicate members and their portion of the share.

### **Conditions of Approval**

On approval by the Board of Trustees, the following conditions will apply without exception:-

- 1. Anyone operating the plant must have been trained or be otherwise qualified to do so.. The owners of the plant, reserve the right to authorise any trained operative, to drive the equipment.
- 2. H&GCT will insure such plant within its overall insurance policy and will pay any increments in premium as required. In the event of the plant being stolen, monies received from the resulting claim will be paid to the syndicate for distribution between the syndicate members.
- 3. The owners of the plant used to assist in the restoration of the H&G Canal will not submit claims for its hire or use.

- 4. H&GCT will reimburse the owners for normal consumables, eg. fuel, hydraulic oil, grease gun cartridges.
- 5. Routine repairs and maintenance will be funded by the owners.
- 6. Any request to H&GCT to contribute to the costs of a major overhaul or repair, will require a written proposal to be submitted to the Board of Trustees prior to the work being carried out.
- 7. The cost of transferring the equipment to another location will be borne by the H&GCT. Any such transfer will need to be authorised by the owners who will need to be reassured that the machine is suitable for the task and that site security is adequate.
- 8. The H&GCT recognise that in the event of the equipment being no longer required, the owners reserve the right to dispose of the equipment as they see fit. The proceeds from the sale of the equipment will be divided between the syndicate members in accordance with their original share.
- 9. All plant insured by the Trust needs to also be in the asset register.