

- vi. Membership of the club is also extended to Family members who shall be spouses or children of ordinary members residing at the same address as the ordinary member, and shall be admitted to the Club on the approval of the committee.
- vii. Membership fees paid after the 1st October will include full membership for the following year.

6. Termination of Membership

Membership of the Club shall cease on the occurrence of any of the following events:

- i. The rights and privileges of any member shall lapse at the end of the calendar year in which the member's name is placed on the membership role or the last renewal subscription was paid unless the membership was renewed after 1st October
- ii. The committee shall have the power to terminate the membership of any member for breach of the Constitution, non-payment of dues, or for conduct that brings the club into disrepute or is deemed by the Committee to be contrary to Club interests. Membership shall also be terminated if the member fails to satisfy the requirements for membership at any time.
- iii. In the event of termination of membership no rebate of dues paid previously to the Club will be made.
- iv. In the event that membership is terminated the member must be given notice of the proposed termination and the reasons for the termination.

7. Appointment of Committee and Powers

The Committee shall manage the business and affairs of the club

- i. The affairs and activities of the Club shall be managed by the committee comprising of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Events Coordinator and a minimum of four ordinary members, and shall meet on an adhoc basis as required throughout the year.
The committee shall have the power to co-opt new members in the event of vacancies occurring between elections. The Chairperson and committee shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting, and shall hold office for one year, after which they shall be eligible for re-election, Five members of the committee shall form a quorum
- ii. To enter into all contracts and agreements which the committee may deem necessary or desirable in connection with the management of the Club and to apply the funds of the Club in payment of the expenses of management, administration and running of the Club.
- iii. The committee shall maintain or cause to be maintained a register of names and current addresses of the members of the Club indicating when they became members and when, if appropriate, they ceased to be members.
- iv. Proper minutes of the proceedings at Committee meetings shall be taken.
- vi. If a member wishes to stand for election to the committee, they must have been a member of the club for at least three months, unless otherwise agreed by the committee at least two weeks prior to the AGM.

8. Removal of Committee Members

The office of a member of the Committee shall be vacated if:

- i. they become bankrupt or make any arrangement or compromise with their creditors generally
- ii. if the Committee resolves that he is incapable of performing his duties as a Committee Member
- iii. they resign their office by written notice to the Committee; or
- iv. If without leave they be absent otherwise than on affairs of the Club from meetings of the Committee for 12 consecutive months
- v. If he ceases to be a member of the Club

9. Proceedings of the Committee

- i. The Committee may meet together for the dispatch of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they see fit. Questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes. In the case of an equality of votes the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote

- ii. A meeting of the Committee at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all the authorities, powers and discretion's by or under this Constitution.
10. Positions within the Committee
- i. The number and roles of the members on the Committee shall be that decided by the Committee from time to time. The number shall be no less than five and there shall be no maximum number of members.
11. Annual General Meetings and Extraordinary General Meetings
- i. The Club shall hold an Annual General Meeting at such time and place as may be determined by the Committee, except it shall be held not more than fifteen months after the holding of the last preceding Annual General Meeting.
 - ii. The Committee may convene an Extraordinary General Meeting whenever they think fit.
 - iii. At every general Meeting the Chairman of the Committee (and in his absence the Vice Chairman) shall preside. Each member shall be entitled to one vote for each membership card. held and voting rights shall be exercised by way of a show of hands and if necessary by way of a poll. Where a Membership card is owned jointly the vote of the first joint owner of the Membership card only shall be counted.
 - iii. At all meetings in the case of an equality of votes the Chairman shall have the casting vote.
 - iv. Any resolution to be proposed otherwise than by the committee at any Annual General Meetings of the Club shall be submitted in writing to the Chairman not less than twenty - one days before the date of the meeting and shall be signed by the proposer and the seconder. Any resolution involving a change in the Constitution shall require not less than a three quarter majority of all votes cast.
 - v. If within half an hour from the time appointed for the Meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting shall be dissolved
12. Obligations of members
- i. To promote the Club and to support its continuation
 - ii. Not to bring the Club into disrepute
13. Membership cards
- i. The membership Card itself shall convey no rights or privileges, but shall only be for identification.
 - ii. A membership card registered in the names of two or more persons jointly shall be delivered to the person first named on the register. The Club shall not be bound to issue to such persons more than one card in respect of the same membership number.
14. Financial & Audit
- The financial year of the Club shall end on 31st October in each year or on such other date as the committee may decide. The committee shall cause proper books of account to be kept with regard to;
- i. All sums of money received and expended by the club and the matter of which such receipts and expenditure took place.
 - ii. The assets and liabilities of the club.
 - iii. At the Annual General Meeting in every year the Committee shall lay before the Club income and expenditure account for the period since the last preceding account together with a balance sheet made up to the same date.
 - iv. The accounts will be examined and verified by two other members of the committee before being submitted to each AGM.
 - vi. All monies received on behalf of the club shall be kept in safe custody by the Treasurer.
 - vii. All cheques drawn on the clubs account shall be signed by the Chairman and the Treasurer.
 - viii. All payments over £25.00 which can be either cash or cheque will need the approval of the committee.

15. Termination provisions
- i. The Club shall continue in existence until a resolution is passed at a General Meeting of the Club by not less than three quarters majority of all votes cast by or on behalf of members.
 - ii. In the event that it is decided that the Club be terminated then at the same General meeting the members shall decide what is to happen to the assets and property of the Club.
16. Notices
- i. Any notice to be given to or by any person pursuant to this Constitution shall be in writing.
 - ii. Notice to any member may be given either personally or by sending it in the post in a prepaid envelope addressed to the member at the address appearing in the register or by leaving it at that address by Email to their usual Email address.
 - iii. Any notice sent by post shall be deemed to have been given on the second day following that on which the envelope containing the same was posted.
 - iv. A person present at any meeting of the Club or Committee shall be deemed to have received notice of the meeting
17. Club Rules
- The committee shall have the power to make Club Rules from time to time and these shall be contained in a schedule of rules which will be made available to all members.
18. Register of interests
- i. **All Committee members (and their partner/ spouse) must declare any Positions held within any other local Mini club. It is then at the discretion of the Committee whether a conflict of interest has arisen and whether such members should be removed from their position on the “Its a Mini Thing” Committee.**
 - ii **If a member fails to declare an interest then they will automatically cease to hold their position at the club unless agreed otherwise by a majority of the votes of the Committee.**
19. Property
- The income and property of the Club shall be applied solely towards the promotion of its objects as set forth in this Constitution and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise whatsoever by way of profit, to members of the Club
21. Proper Law
- This Constitution shall be governed and construed in accordance with the Laws of England and Wales.