



RULES OF OLD RUTLISHIANS' ASSOCIATION
(CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION)
Charity Registered in England & Wales no. 1184886

Introduction

1. These Rules are formed pursuant to Clause 26 of the Constitution of Old Rutlishians' Association, "the Club".

Members

2. Pursuant to Clause 9.3.1 of the Constitution, the general categories of membership shall be
 - a. Adult player
 - b. Junior player (under 18) – non-voting
 - c. Parent / Guardian of Junior player
 - d. Supporter - including Volunteer, Ex-Player
 - e. Honorary
 - f. Ex-Officio – non-voting

Life members may be included within categories a., c., d., e., depending upon whether a Life membership fee has been paid in lieu of annual subscriptions.

3. Individuals who wish to become members solely for the purpose of benefitting from the clubhouse facilities and without involvement in any of the sporting sections or volunteering for the running of the Club, shall become members of the Club's wholly owned trading subsidiary company, Old Rutlishians Trading Limited (company no: 12297224).

Board of Trustees

4. The Board will run the Club's affairs through the following Sub-Committees, with the Sub-Committees reporting to a full Board meeting at least 5 times per year.
 - 1) Organisation & Development
 - 2) Finance, Operations & House
 - 3) Grounds & Sport
 - 4) Community Engagement
 - 5) Health & Safety
5. Sub-Committees will each operate to a Terms of Reference approved by the full Board.
6. Every Trustee will be expected to serve on at least one of the Sub-Committees.
7. The Grounds & Sport Sub-Committee will be expected to include Trustees who are also serving members of the respective Sections' Committees.
8. The Trustees will appoint individuals from within the Board to take responsibility for the following:

- 1) Chair of Board of Trustees
- 2) Secretary
- 3) Treasurer
- 4) Membership
- 5) Commercial Activities
- 6) House
- 7) Grounds
- 8) Health & Safety
- 9) Diversity
- 10) Safeguarding
- 11) Vice-Presidents Liaison

Sections

9. The approved sporting Sections are: Rugby, Cricket, Football.
10. Sections shall have their own delegated Committee, which shall include their representative from the Board of Trustees.
11. Sections will create their own Rules, which will be consistent with the Constitution and the Rules of the Club.

President

12. The Board of Trustees will appoint a President annually at its Annual General Meeting.

Vice Presidents

13. The Club will maintain a register of members who are recognised as Vice-Presidents for the service and support they have provided over a period of time.
14. Vice-Presidents shall be permitted to use the Club's facilities for events without charge providing there is no clash with commercial or Sections' events, and shall submit an annual report to the Board of Trustees.

Guests

15. Members of opposing teams, including their families, may visit the Clubhouse. It is the responsibility of the hosting sporting Section to oversee the conduct of such guests.
16. Trustees may from time to time determine a limit to the number of guests a member may introduce and to the number of times any particular guest may be introduced in any one year.
17. Persons who have previously been members of the Club but who have been removed from the roll for disciplinary reasons or failure to pay membership subscriptions, shall not be admitted as guests. The Trustees expect those who regularly attend the Club to become members in their own right and the Trustees reserve the right to take disciplinary action against members who frequently introduce the same guests.
18. Trustees reserve the right to charge guests an entrance fee as and when deemed appropriate.

Complaints

19. Any complaint, including against the club itself, staff, members, shall be brought to the attention of the Chair or Secretary who will determine the appropriate course of action. Such action will include immediate written acknowledgement and a procedure which is consistent with that set out in 9.5.3 of the CIO Constitution for considering the action to be taken against a member.

Alteration of Rules

20. These Rules may be changed at any time by the Board of Trustees, subject to such changes being ratified by an ordinary resolution of members, normally taking place at an Annual General Meeting.

As amended by the Board of Trustees – 31st March 2020