



# Rules of Old Wesley Rugby Football Club

## 1. TITLE

The Club shall be called "Old Wesley Rugby Football Club"

## 2. CONSTITUTION

The Club is constituted for the purpose of playing Rugby Football.

The Club is constituted with the main object of playing and promoting Rugby Football

## 3. CLUB COLOURS

The colours of the Club shall be dark blue, red and white and its symbol shall be the wyvern

## 4. DEFINITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

4.1. "Member" is as defined in Rule 5

4.2. "Ordinary Member" is also as defined in Rule 5

4.3. "Playing Member" is any Member who plays rugby football in the Club and is eligible for selection for the Club at any level, including Under-age Members and Juvenile Members and such other categories of Playing Members the Executive might decide upon from time to time

4.4. "Juvenile Member" is a Playing Member who is under the age of eighteen (18) and over the age of fifteen (15) on the Relevant Date

4.5. "Under-age Member" is a young person included in a Family Membership who is under the age of sixteen (16) on the Relevant Date and represents the Club as a player

4.6. "Family Members" are the Under-age Members together with their parents and/or other persons who have assumed parental responsibility for such players, all of whom avail of a collective family membership of the Club and of whom one parent is a Nominated Family Member

4.7. "Nominated Family Member" means the one parent designated by each Family Membership who is nominated by that Family Membership to represent it at meetings of the Club and to vote on behalf of that Family Membership as its nominee

4.8. "Honorary Life Members" are Members so elected in accordance with Rule 8.2

4.9. "Life Members" are members so elected or eligible in accordance with Rule 15.6

4.10. "Relevant Date" is the first day of January in each year



- 4.11. "Wezz Social Club Members" shall be in accordance of the relevant provisions of membership in Rule 5.10
- 4.12. "Officer" shall mean the President, the Senior Deputy President, the Junior Deputy President, the Chairman, the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer, the Chairman of Fundraising, the Facilities Director, the Chairman of Rugby, and the Trustees

## 5. MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1. The Club shall consist of Ordinary Members, who shall be full members entitled to attend and vote at all meetings, and Associate Members who are members but shall not have the right to attend General Meetings, vote at meetings, or otherwise take part in the management of the Club.
- 5.2. Ordinary Members will include Playing Members, Pavilion Members, Honorary Life and Life Members, and also include Nominated Family Members
- 5.3. Associate Members will include Family Members (other than Nominated Family Members), Juvenile Members, and any Members under the age of 18, together with such other categories of Associate Membership as may be decided upon by the Executive from time to time.
- 5.4. The Ordinary Members, provided they are over the age of 18 on the next preceding Relevant Date, shall have the right to attend, speak and vote at all General Meetings of the Club in accordance with the provisions of these Rules, and from their number the Officers of the Club shall be elected.
- 5.5. Family Membership shall be represented by a Nominated Family Member. The Nominated Family Member shall be deemed to be and have the status of a Pavilion Member, whether or not the designated subscription shall be the same as, or differ from, the annual subscription of a Pavilion Member. Thus the Nominated Family Member shall have the right to attend, speak and vote at all General Meetings of the Club and shall be entitled to be an Officer of the Club and to be eligible to be elected or appointed to any position or office according to the provisions of these Rules.
- 5.6. Juvenile Members and Under-age Members shall not have the right to attend or vote at General Meetings of the Club.
- 5.7. Nothing contained in these Rules shall prevent the election of female members in any category.
- 5.8. Election of Members shall be in accordance with Rule 8, other than in respect of Wezz Social Club Membership, which shall be in accordance with Rule 5.10



- 5.9. A Playing Member in any given season, including all categories of Playing Members for the time being, shall be a member newly elected that season as a Playing Member in accordance with Rule 8, or a member who has been a Playing Member in a previous season or seasons, whose membership has not been terminated in the intermediate period, and who is either available for selection, and /or has been selected for, and /or plays for a team representing the Club during the current season.
- 5.10. Wezz Social Members shall be deemed to be Associate Members of the Club and accordingly shall not be subject to the obligations, liabilities, rights of attendance and voting at meetings of the Club or other privileges or otherwise take part in the Membership of the Club, either pursuant to the provisions of these Rules or which would normally apply to members of an unincorporated association.
- 5.10.1. An officer of the Club shall be designated to and shall maintain a register of such persons in which their names and addresses shall be recorded. The officer of the Club so designated shall be entitled at his sole discretion to amend or to remove such names from the register as he considers appropriate from time to time.

## 6. GOVERNANCE

- 6.1. The affairs of the Club shall be dealt with, on behalf of the Members, subject to these Rules, by the General Committee of the Club constituted in accordance with Rule 9 (the General Committee) and by the Executive Committee constituted in accordance with Rule 10 (the Executive). The Executive shall conduct all the business and management of the affairs of the Club. The Executive shall also have the primary authority and control of the policy of the Club with the exception of those policy matters reserved for the General Committee in accordance with Rule 9.2, and subject to the Ordinary Members from time to time in General Meeting duly convened.

## 7. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

- 7.1. The Executive shall convene an Annual General Meeting each year, to be held after the close of the Season and of which at least fourteen days (14) prior notice shall be given. Fifteen Ordinary Members to form a quorum. The President shall preside and take the chair for the Meeting. The Chairman shall present his report at this meeting. The Honorary Treasurer shall present his report at this meeting. The Rules of the Club may be changed at the meeting, or at a General Meeting summoned for the purpose and Notice of Motion of the proposed alteration must be given in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least twenty one days before such a meeting who shall state the purport of the Motion to each Ordinary Member of the Club when summoning such meeting.
- 7.2. At the Annual General Meeting shall be elected the following:-
- The President
  - The Deputy President



- Junior Deputy President
- Chairman
- Honorary Secretary
- Honorary Treasurer
- Two Honorary Auditors
- Eleven members of the General Committee
- Chairman of Rugby
- Chairman of Fundraising
- Facilities Director
- Delegate to represent the Club at meetings of the Leinster Branch of the Irish Rugby Football Union
- Such other Ordinary Members of the Club who are required to fill management and administrative positions and other functions within the Club

7.3. Vice-Presidents shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club. Nominations for new Vice-Presidents should be submitted in writing to the Honorary Secretary twenty-one (21) days before the Annual General Meeting. Such names shall be nominated at the Executive to the Annual General Meeting. At the General Committee Meeting, which shall be at least fourteen (14) days prior to the Annual General Meeting, the Honorary Secretary shall submit the list of existing Vice-Presidents to the General Committee and these may be nominated to the Annual General Meeting along with any proposed new Vice-Presidents.

7.4. The Annual General Meeting may vest power in the Executive to fill any of the above offices, (including any vacancy in the elected members of the General Committee) should such meeting think it expedient to postpone filling same.

7.5. The General Committee or the Executive shall have the power to summon a General Meeting of the Club whenever they consider it necessary and the Honorary Secretary must summon a General Meeting on the receipt of a requisition signed by fifteen Ordinary Members of the Club distinctly stating the matter to be submitted to the meeting.

7.6. The Chairman of any General Meeting shall have the power to decide the method of voting and a simple majority of votes of those present shall be decisive, save in the case of a vote on a change of Rules in which case these rules may be amended by a resolution in a General Meeting passed by a majority of at least two thirds of the members present and entitled to vote when the vote is taken.

## 8. ELECTION OF MEMBERS

8.1. The mode of election of Members other than Life Members shall be by ballot of the Executive at which four members must vote. Candidates must be proposed and seconded by two Ordinary Members of the Club and the names and address of each candidate together with details of previous Club, if any, and the names of the Proposer and Secunder, shall be given in writing to the Honorary Secretary together with confirmation that the candidate has been



given, and has read, a copy of these Rules, supports the objects of the Club, and agrees to be bound by the Rules immediately upon admission to membership. A majority of two to one shall be necessary for the election of a candidate.

- 8.2. Honorary Life Members, who shall not at any one time exceed six in number, shall be members who, in the opinion of the Club, have rendered exceptional service to the Club or to the game of Rugby Football. Such qualified persons shall be nominated by the General Committee but shall be elected only at the Annual General Meeting of the Club, notice of proposal to elect Honorary Life Members to be called in the notice convening such a meeting. Honorary Life Members shall enjoy the same privileges as Ordinary Members but shall not be liable for the annual subscription.

## 9. GENERAL COMMITTEE

- 9.1. Eleven (11) Ordinary Members shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting of the Club to be held as herein before provided for Rule 7.2 to sit on the General Committee together with the following who shall be *ex-officio* members of the General Committee with full voting powers:-

- The President
- The Deputy President
- Junior Deputy President
- Past and Vice-Presidents
- The Officers of the Club
- Team Captains
- The Trustees
- Other officers of the Club appointed by the Executive to hold management and administrative positions

- 9.2. The Quorum of the General Committee shall be fifteen (15) persons. While the Executive shall have the ultimate control of policy and the management of the Club, subject to these Rules, the General Committee alone shall have the authority and power to make policy decisions in respect of the following, subject, where appropriate, to the decision of the Members in General Meeting:-

- Making or altering the Rules of the Club
- Disposal or acquisition of Assets of and for the Club
- Matters involving significant change or expense, or long-term commitment for the Club

- 9.3. The General Committee shall meet at such times as they shall be summoned by the Honorary Secretary. The Honorary Secretary shall summon a meeting of the General Committee at the request (in writing) of 3 (three) Ordinary Members of the General Committee. The General Committee shall meet not less than twice in any playing season.



## 10. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 10.1. The Executive Committee (the “Executive”), shall consist of the Chairman of the Club, the President, the Deputy President, the Junior Deputy President, the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer, the Chairman of Rugby, the Chairman of Fundraising, the Facilities Director and the Club Representative to the Leinster Branch of the Irish Rugby Football Union. The quorum of the Executive shall be five (5) persons.
- 10.2. The Executive shall have power to appoint sub-committees to deal with the implementation of policies and/or to carry out delegated functions on behalf of the Executive. Each sub-committee shall furnish a report of proceedings to the Executive which shall be incorporated in the Minutes of the Executive.
- 10.3. The Executive shall have the power to co-opt additional members for any one season or the period up to the next succeeding Annual General Meeting. Such appointees shall not remain in office unless re-appointed by the Executive for the succeeding season.

## 11. CHAIRMAN OF THE CLUB

- 11.1. The Chairman of the Club shall be responsible for the execution of the day to day management and the strategic direction of the Club. He shall be the chairman and convenor of the Executive.
- 11.2. The Chairman shall be elected each year at the Annual General Meeting but should serve for a minimum of two (2) years.

## 12. FILLING VACANCIES

- 12.1. In the event of death or resignation of a member of the General Committee or the Executive, or other Office of the Club, during his year of office, the Executive shall choose an Ordinary Member of the Club to fill the vacancy
- 12.2. In the event of any member of the General Committee or the Executive failing to attend any three (3) consecutive meetings, the Executive shall have the power to co-opt another Ordinary Member to act in his place.

## 13. CLUB PROPERTY

- 13.1. All property of the Club shall be vested in five (5) Trustees nominated by the Executive and appointed by resolution of the General Committee, who may from time to time invest any funds of the Club in their names in suitable investment, not necessarily in Trustee securities, and hold such investment solely for the furtherance of Rugby Football in Old Wesley Rugby



Football Club. The Trustees will hold and use the Club Property including the funds of the Club in accordance with all lawful directions of the Executive.

- 13.2. Subject to Rule 13.3, any deed, document, act or thing signed, executed or done by the Trustees on behalf of the Club, shall be binding on the Club if authorised by a resolution of the Executive of the Club.
- 13.3. The Trustees may from time to time, with the sanction of separate resolutions of both the Executive and the General Committee of the Club passed in the manner hereinafter provided by this Rule, do all of the following acts or things, that is to say: sell, exchange, partition, lease, let, mortgage, or charge (including a mortgage or charge to secure borrowing), or otherwise dispose or deal with any property of the Club (whether the same or real or personal) for the time being vested in the Trustees or purchase by way of lease or otherwise such property real or personal as may be necessary for Club purposes, provided always that any such sanctioning resolutions shall be voted on at meetings attended respectively by, in the case of the Executive not less than five (5) members, and in the case of the General Committee not less than fifteen (15) Ordinary Members, and shall be passed by a majority of at least seventy-five per cent (75%) of those voting.
- 13.4. A Certificate signed by the Chairman of the respective meetings at which any resolution referred to in this Rule has been passed shall be conclusive evidence of the passing of such resolution in the manner provided by this Rule and of the terms of such Resolution, such Certificate to be completed by the relevant Chairman of the meeting before its conclusion.
- 13.5. A Trustee shall remain in office until death or resignation or until a meeting of the General Committee shall think it proper to remove them or any of them. No personal liability shall attach to any Trustee except to the extent of such funds of the Club as may be actually received by him or over which he has personal control. Subject to the foregoing, the Club will indemnify and keep indemnified the Trustees and each of them against all personal liabilities incurred arising from their position as a Trustee of the Club.
- 13.6. In case of a vacancy in the office of Trustee, the Executive shall nominate, and the General Committee, shall, by resolution, appoint a Trustee to fill such a vacancy. The surviving or continuing Trustee or Trustees shall have power to act notwithstanding any vacancy in the number of Trustees.

## 14. GENERAL INDEMNITY

Trustees, Officers and members of the Executive Committee for the time being will at all times be held and kept harmless and indemnified either from the mutual funds of the Club or by the members against all debts, liability, loss, damage and expense whatsoever in relation to leases, contracts, agreements, matters or things entered or suffered by the Trustees, Officers or members of the Executive Committee in the management of the Club.



## 15. SUBSCRIPTIONS

- 15.1. The Annual Subscription for all categories of Members shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting of the Club or any other Special General Meeting summoned for the purpose.
- 15.2. The Executive shall have the power to propose different levels of subscriptions for designated categories of Members from time to time.
- 15.3. The Executive shall set out its proposals for annual Subscriptions for the forthcoming season in the Notice summoning the Annual General Meeting, (or for any change in subscriptions in the Notice summoning a Special General Meeting as the case may be). In default of such proposals for the Annual General Meeting, subscriptions for the forthcoming season shall remain at the present level. The Annual (or Special) General Meeting shall have power to accept, reject or amend the proposals of the Executive to the meeting as it sees fit.
- 15.4. The Executive may from time to time direct by what date and in what manner subscriptions shall be paid to the Honorary Treasurer.
- 15.5. The Executive shall have the power to waive or make an abatement in the subscription of any member or category of Member.
- 15.6. The Executive may, at their discretion and on payment of such sum and, subject to such conditions as may be fixed from time to time at the Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting, include Members in the list of Life Members. These Members, together with those Members who have attained the age of Seventy-Five (75) and who have been members for at least fifteen years (15), shall enjoy the privilege of full membership for life without further payment.
- 15.7. The Executive shall have the power to decide from time to time on what basis admission fees to the ground for matches should be charged.

## 16. UNPAID SUBSCRIPTIONS

A Member shall not cease to be a Member solely by reason of non-payment of a subscription by any date directed by the Executive, or at all, but such non-payment may give rise to suspension of the privileges of membership pursuant to Rule 23

No person may be elected or appointed as an Officer, or a member of the General Committee of the Club unless he or she is a fully paid up member of the Club for the season immediately prior to his or her election for appointment.

## 17. ELECTIONS OF CAPTAINS

The Executive shall approve the process for appointing captains each year and each appointment must be ratified by the Executive.



## 18. COLOUR TEAM

The Executive shall select a colour team prior to the Annual General Meeting

## 19. HONOURS CAPS

Honour Caps or other tokens shall be awarded by the Executive

## 20. BOOKS AND ACCOUNTS

Correct books and accounts shall be kept by the Honorary Treasurer showing the financial affairs, receipts and disbursements of the Club, such books and accounts shall be audited by the Honorary Auditors and the said Honorary Auditors shall have access to and be entitled to inspect the books and accounts at any time.

## 21. MINUTE BOOK

The Minute book of the proceedings of both the Executive and of the General Committee shall be open to inspection of any Ordinary Member of the Club on application (in writing) to the Honorary Secretary.

## 22. AVAILABILITY

A copy of the Rules shall be made available to each Member of the Club on his election or, on request to the Honorary Secretary, and all Members of the Club shall be bound by the Rules and no Member shall be absolved from the effect of the Rules on the grounds that he was not supplied with a copy or had no note of the same.

## 23. EXPULSION OR SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS

23.1. The Executive may at its discretion suspend the privileges of membership of any Member whose subscriptions as fixed in General Meeting is not paid in accordance with the directions of the Executive

23.2. The Executive shall have the power to suspend, temporarily or permanently, from membership of the Club, any Member guilty of conduct which, in the opinion of the Executive, is harmful to the Club, or whose conduct, in the Executive's opinion, makes it desirable that he should cease to be a Member of the Club.



23.3. Such Member shall have a right to appeal to the General Committee against a decision of the Executive under either of Rules 23.1 or 23.2 by notice in writing to the Honorary Secretary of his intention to do so and, subsequently, if he wishes to do so, to a Special General Meeting of the Club to be convened in accordance with Rule 7.5, notice of such appeal to be lodged with the Honorary Secretary within fourteen (14) days of the date of his suspension by the Executive. Such Member shall be entitled to appear personally on the hearing of the appeal.

## 24. GRIEVOUS MATCH MISCONDUCT

24.1. The Club shall deal with complaints of alleged grievous misconduct against Members arising out of or in connection with their participation in or attendance at club matches or matches held under the auspices of the Irish Rugby Football Union or the Leinster Branch of the Irish Rugby Football Union in accordance with the following provisions.

24.2. For the purposes of this Rule, grievous misconduct means conduct or behaviour which could bring the Club into disrepute or is detrimental to the best interests of the Club or which might render the Club subject to sanctions in accordance with the disciplinary regulations and guidelines of the Irish Rugby Football Union or the Leinster Branch of the Irish Rugby Football Union.

24.3. The Chairman, or in his absence such other officers of the Club as the Chairman shall designate, shall following the receipt of a complaint whether orally or in writing, consider the complaint and if he is satisfied that the alleged misconduct so warrants he shall appoint three (3) Ordinary Members not being members of the Executive, to constitute a match misconduct committee (“the Committee”) to investigate the complaint.

24.4. The Committee shall have the power to make such rulings or determinations as the Committee may deem fit including the power to suspend the Member from participation in or attendance at Club matches for such period or periods of time as the Committee shall consider appropriate, to impose fines or to refer the complaint to the Executive to be dealt with in accordance with Rule 23.2 and 23.3.

24.5. The Committee shall as soon as possible following the receipt of the complaint, convene a hearing at which the Member under complaint shall be invited to attend along with such other persons not exceeding two (2), as the Member may wish, to address the hearing on his behalf. Such other persons whom the Committee may deem to have evidence to offer shall also be invited to attend.

24.6. The Committee shall act on a majority vote in arriving at its decisions.

24.7. The Committee shall promptly inform the Executive, the member under complaint and the person who made the complaint of its decisions.

24.8. A Member against whom a complaint is upheld by the Committee or any person affected by the decision of the Committee including the person or persons who made the complaint may



appeal the decision to the Executive not later than fourteen (14) days following the decision in which event the provisions regarding the conduct of hearings by the Committee above shall apply mutatis mutandis.

24.9. A Member of the Committee shall not attend at the hearing of the appeal, nor participate in the voting thereon, but may be invited to attend the hearing for the purpose of giving evidence.

24.10. After the hearing of the appeal, the Executive whose decision shall be final, may affirm, reverse, or vary the decision of the Committee.

24.11. Nothing contained in these Rules shall restrict the Executive from expelling or suspending a Member from membership of the Club in accordance with Rules 23.1 and 23.2 nor, where appropriate, restrict the Club's officers appointed for the purpose of investigation and dealing with breaches of discipline by Playing Members in accordance with the disciplinary regulations of the Irish Rugby Football Union or the Leinster Branch of the Irish Rugby Football Union.

## 25. TAX EXEMPTION – INCOME & PROPERTY

The income and property of the Club, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of its main object as set forth in Rule 2 No portion of the Club's income and property shall be transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit, to the members of the Club. No Officer shall be appointed to any office of the Club paid by salary or fees, or receive any remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth from the Club. However, nothing shall prevent any payment in good faith by the Club of:

- (a) reasonable and proper remuneration to any member of the club (not being an Officer) for any services rendered to the club;
- (b) interest at a rate not exceeding 5% per annum on money lent by Officers or other members of the club to the Club;
- (c) reasonable and proper rent for premises demised and let by any member of the Club (including any Officer) to the Club;
- (d) reasonable and proper out-of-pocket expenses incurred by any Officer in connection with their attendance at any matter affecting the Club;
- (e) fees, remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth to any Company of which an Officer may be a member holding not more than one hundredth part of the issued capital of such Company

## 26. WINDING UP

If upon the winding up or dissolution of the club, there remains, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, it shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Club. Instead, such property shall be given or transferred to some other charitable institution or institutions having main objects similar to the main objects of the club. The institution or institutions to which the property is to be given or transferred shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members to an extent at least as



great as is imposed on the Club under or by virtue of Rule 25 hereof. Members of the Club shall select the relevant institution or institutions at or before the time of the dissolution, and if and so far as effect cannot be given to such provisions, then the property shall be given or transferred to some charitable object.

## 27. ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

No addition, alteration or amendment shall be made to or in the Provisions of these Rules for the time being in force unless the same shall have been previously approved in writing by the Revenue Commissioners.

## 28. KEEPING OF ACCOUNTS

Annual audited accounts shall be kept and made available to the Revenue Commissioners on request.

## 29. INTOXICATING LIQUOR ACT

29.1. A visitor shall not be supplied with excisable liquor in the Club premises unless on the invitation and in the company of a member and that member shall, upon the admission of such visitor to the Club Premises, or immediately upon his/her being supplied with such liquor, enter his/her own name and address and the same and address of the visitor in a book which shall be kept for the purpose and which shall show date of each visit

29.2. No excisable liquor shall be sold or supplied by the Club to any persons under the age of eighteen (18) years.

29.3. No person under the age of eighteen (18) years will be allowed into the licensed area of the Club after 9.00pm. However, a child who is accompanied by his/her parent or guardian may be allowed into the licensed area of the Club between the hours of 10.00am (12.30pm on a Sunday) and 9.00pm

29.4. A Child who is aged at least fifteen (15) but under the age of eighteen (18) and who is accompanied but his/her parent or guardian may be allowed into the licensed area of the Club on the occasion of a private function at which a substantial meal is served to persons attending the function.

29.5. No excisable liquor shall be sold for consumption outside the premises of the Club except to Members of the Club, between the hours of 8 o'clock in the morning and 10 o'clock at night.

29.6. Subject to the exceptions mentioned in Sub-Sections 2 and 3 of the sections 56 of the Intoxicating Liquor Act 1962, no excisable liquor shall be supplied for consumption on the Club premises to any person (other than a member of the Club lodging in the Club premises) or be consumed on the Club premises by any person (other than a member of the Club lodging in the Club premises):-

- On any weekday before the hour of half past 10 o'clock in the morning or,



- On any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday after the hour of half past 11 o'clock in the evening or,
- On any Friday or Saturday after the hour of half past 12 o'clock in the morning on the following day or,
- On any Sunday (except St. Patricks Day which falls on a Sunday) before the hour half past 12 o'clock in the afternoon or after the hour of 11 o'clock in the evening or,
- On St. Patricks Day before the hour half past 12 o'clock in the afternoon or after half past 12 o'clock in the morning on the following day or,
- On Christmas Eve and the Eve of Good Friday before the hour of half past 10 o'clock in the morning or after the hour of half past 11 o'clock in the evening or
- At any time on Christmas Day or Good Friday

29.7. The relevant provisions of the Licensing Acts 1833-2008 and the Registration of Clubs Acts 1904-2008 ( as defined in the Intoxicating Liquor Act 2003) in relation to the sale, supply or consumption on the Club premises of excisable liquor, the restrictions on the presence in bars of persons under eighteen (18) years and the production of evidence of age by persons between the age of eighteen(18) and twenty-one (21) years and any Acts or Rules extending, deleting, substituting or amending the same are deemed to be incorporated in the Rules of the Club and to apply accordingly.

29.8. No Member of the Executive or the General Committee and no manager or servant employed in the Club shall have any personal interest in the sale of excisable liquors therein or in the profits arising from such sale.

29.9. Nothing contained in the Registration of Clubs Act 1904-2008 or imposed only by virtue of the operation of Rule 29 of these Rules shall operate to prohibit the supplying for consumption on the Club premises of excisable liquor or any person for the consumption of excisable liquor on those premises by any person:-

- Ordered by that person at the same time as a substantial meal is ordered by him
- Consumed at the same time as with the meal
- Supplied and consumed in the portion of the Club premises usually set aside for the supply of meals
- Paid for at the same time as the meal is paid for.

29.10. The Executive or General Committee may alter or add to such Rule or Rules dealing with the supply or consumption of excisable liquor for the purpose of complying with the Licensing Laws for the time being in force, or for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of the members in accordance with such laws.



29.11. In addition to the foregoing Rules and Clauses thereof the Clauses and Regulations embodied in the Registration of Clubs Acts 1904 – 2008 and the Acts extending and amending the same shall be deemed Rules of the Club.

## 30. NOTICES

30.1. Any notice required or allowed to be given to any member under these Rules is validly given if; (i) sent by post to that member's address in the Members' Register (in which case it is deemed given to the member 2 days after posting); or (ii) given to him personally; or (iii) sent by email or fax to that member's email address or fax number in the Members' Register.

30.2. Any notice required or allowed to be given by any member to the Honorary Secretary under these Rules is validly given if sent by post, email or fax to the Honorary Secretary at the postal address, email or fax number most recently notified to members by the Honorary Secretary. It is deemed given when actually received at that address, email or fax number.

## 31. CIVIL LIABILITY ACT

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 34(1)(b) of the Civil Liability Act 1961 members waive their legal entitlement to claim against a fellow member, officer, or member of the Executive Committee, compensation for personal injury, loss or damage, where caused in their capacity as a member or officer of the club.

## 32. DATA PROTECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of the Data Protection Acts 1988-2003 members consent to the Club obtaining, recording, holding and retaining their personal data (including sensitive personal data) solely for Club purposes, either on its computer or its manual filing system, and consent to the use of all such data, including disclosure to third parties, for the proper and effective management of the Club

## 33. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

No Trustees, Officers or other members are bound to bring or defend any actual or prospective legal claim or proceedings or incur any liability or prospective liability for legal costs (including costs which may be payable by them to any other party) without being satisfied that they are sufficiently indemnified or otherwise protected against having to bear such costs and any other judgment against them (beyond their own proper shares as members) in or more of the following ways: (i) indemnity out of the Club's Property (including the funds of the Club); (ii) personal indemnities by all or some of the other members; (iii) legal expenses insurance.