

Uppingham Hill Badminton Club

Constitution

1. Title

1.1 The Club shall be called Uppingham Hill Badminton Club, hereafter to be referred to as 'the Club'.

2. Objectives

2.1 To foster and promote the sport of badminton at all levels, providing opportunities for recreation and competition.

3. Membership

3.1 Membership of the Club shall be open to any person over the age of 11, and paying the relevant subscription fee as determined by the Annual General Meeting of the Club members.

3.2 There shall be two classes of membership available:

3.2.1 Full Member

3.2.2 Student Member (in full time education)

3.2.3 Pay and play members will be eligible to play in club matches if no Full/Student members are available. Priority will be given to Full/Student members prior to pay and play members being selected.

4. Expulsion of Members

4.1 Members of the Club whose conduct is inappropriate or who decline to abide by any Rules of Bylaws may be expelled or suspended by a resolution passed at a meeting of the disciplinary sub-committee where their entrance fee and subscriptions may be forfeited. Members shall have the right to appeal in person to the management committee with regard to any decision affecting themselves, provided that notice of such appeal is submitted to the administrator, in writing within seven days of notification of the decision.

5. Officers

5.1 The Officers of the Club shall be as follows:

Chairperson

Secretary

Treasurer

Team Captains

League Fixtures Secretary

Social Secretary

6. Election of Officers

- 6.1 All Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club, from and by the Members of the Club.
- 6.2 All Officers are elected for a period of one year, but may be re-elected to the same office or another office the following year.

7. General Committee

- 7.1 The affairs of the Club shall be controlled by a General Committee comprising of the Executive Officers of the Club and by the Full Members of the Club. The General Committee shall meet at agreed intervals and not less than twice a year.
- 7.2 The duties of the General Committee shall be
 - 7.2.1 To control the affairs of the Club on behalf of the Members
 - 7.2.2 To keep accurate accounts of the finances of the Club through the Treasurer. These should be available for reasonable inspected by Members and should be independently checked before every Annual General Meeting. The Club shall maintain a bank account and the following Officers shall be authorised to sign Club cheques; two from the Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary.
 - 7.2.3 To co-opt additional members of the Committee as the Committee feels this is necessary.
 - 7.2.4 To make decisions on the basis of a simple majority vote. In the case of equal votes, the Chairperson shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.

8. General Meetings

- 8.1 The annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held not later than the end of May each year.
- 8.2 The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be to:
 - 8.2.1 Confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and any General Meetings held since the last Annual General Meeting.
 - 8.2.2 Receive audited accounts/or checked accounts by another member of the club for the year from the Treasurer.
 - 8.2.3 Receive the annual report of the Committee from the Secretary.
 - 8.2.4 Elect the Officers of the Club (i.e. Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and other General Committee Members)
 - 8.2.5 Review Club Subscription rates and agree them for the forthcoming year.
 - 8.2.6 Transact any other business.
- 8.3 Special General Meetings may be convened by the General Committee, or if requested by club members.
- 8.4 Nominations of candidates for election of Officers can only be made by Full Members and must be seconded by another Full Member attending the meeting.
- 8.5 At all General Meetings, the Chair will be taken Chairperson or, in their absence, by a deputy appointed by the Club or by Full Members attending the meeting.
- 8.6 Decisions made at the General Meeting shall be by simple majority votes from those Full Members attending the meeting. In the case of equal votes, the Chairperson shall be entitles to an additional casting vote.
- 8.7 Each Full Member of the Club shall be entitles to one vote at General Meetings.

9. Alterations to the Constitution

9.1 Any proposed alterations to the Club Constitution may only be considered at an Annual or Special General Meeting, convened with the required written notice of the proposal. Any alterations or amendments must be proposed by a Full Member of the Club and seconded by another Full Member. Such alterations shall be passed if supported by not less than two thirds of those Full Members present at the meeting.

10. Dissolution

10.1 If at any General Meeting of the Club, a resolution be passed calling for the dissolution of the Club, the Secretary shall immediately convene a Special Meeting of the Club to be hosted not less than one month thereafter to discuss and vote on the resolution.

10.2 If at that Special General Meeting, the resolution is carried by at least two thirds of the Full Members present at the meeting, the General Committee shall thereupon, or at such date shall have been specified in the resolution, proceed to realise the assets of the Club and discharge all debts and liabilities of the Club.

10.3 After discharging all debts and liabilities of the Club, the remaining assets shall not be paid or distributed amongst the Full Members of the Club, but shall be given or transferred to some other voluntary organisation having objectives similar to those of the Club.