

BRADFORD HF WALKING & SOCIAL CLUB

1 Name

This Group will be known as the Bradford HF Walking and Social Club

2 Objects

To cultivate a love of the open air and to encourage a spirit of friendship amongst members interested in walking and in kindred social pursuits.

3 Committee

The Group will be governed by six officers and a general committee of up to ten members.

- a) Officers. The officers will consist of :- President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Secretary, Rambles Secretary .The Committee will every year take such steps as are necessary for the nomination of a Vice President for the ensuing year.
- b) General Committee. The Committee will consist of up to eight members. The Committee will have the power to co-opt up to the required number of officers and general committee members.
- c) All officers and members of the general committee will retire annually and be eligible for re-election.
- d) No member will be eligible for appointment as an officer or committee member unless he/she has been a member of the Group for at least 12 months.

At least five committee members, including two officers, must be present in order that a committee meeting may take place and decisions made.

4 Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held as early as convenient in the new year and not later than March 1st. The quorum of the AGM will be a tenth of the current membership.

5 Nominations

The Secretary will invite nominations for all officers, except President and Vice President, and committee members by e-mail (and/or post) to all members, annually in December. The nomination list will also be made available on rambles and at socials with a closing date for nominations by January 31st.

6 Annual Subscriptions

The annual subscription will be at the current rate determined at the relevant AGM and will become due immediately thereafter. Nonpayment of subscription by July 1st will be regarded as resignation.

7 Children

Children under the age of 16 may become members free of charge but must always be accompanied by an adult responsible for their safety and behaviour.

8 Expulsion

The Committee will be empowered to expel from the Group any member whose conduct is considered undesirable. The member will however, have the opportunity of placing his/her case before the Committee.

9 Affiliations

The Group will affiliate with such other organisations as the AGM may determine and appoint the requisite number of delegates to such bodies

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10 Delegate's Expenses

The AGM may authorise payment of expenses of official delegates to any meetings of the organisation concerned. Such payments refer only to quarterly, half-yearly, annual and/or special general meetings but not committee meetings.

11 Conduct on Rambles

- a) The leader will adjust his/her speed to suit the party. The members of the party will keep behind or in easy communicating distance of the leader. The leader will be in order to recall any member of the party going too far ahead.
- b) Any person wishing to leave the party may do so, after consultation with the leader.
- c) It is also the leader's responsibility to finish the walk within easy reach of transport for all members of the party.
- d) The leader will appoint a back-up, if he/she considers it necessary to do so, and keep in touch.

12 Liability

Neither the leader nor the Group can accept any responsibility for injury/damage/loss incurred to person or property on rambles or at social events.

13 Legislation

The Committee will have power to legislate upon any point not provided for in these rules.

14 Financial Year

The financial year will be the calendar year.

15 Amendment of Rules

Notice of any alteration or addition to rules must be sent to the Secretary, in writing, before December 15th.

16 Requisition of Meeting

Ten members may requisition a meeting of the Committee or a general meeting of members by giving written notice to the Secretary, stating the reason for such a meeting and at least seven days before the proposed date of such a meeting.

17 Dissolution of the Group

- a) The Group may be dissolved by a vote of a two thirds majority of members present at the AGM or by a special general meeting, provided that in either case, one month's written notice has been given to all paid-up members.
- b) In the event of dissolution, the properties of the Group will be realised in cash and after payment of liabilities, the assets will be disposed of. As goodwill has always been an essential part of the Group's philosophy, these assets will be disposed of to charitable organisations, as agreed at the aforesaid AGM or special general meeting

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