

ALL PREVIOUS RULES RESCINDED

NAME OFFICE OBJECT OF THE CLUB

1. The Name shall be "The Calne Liberal Club" and its registered office shall be 2, Oxford Road, Calne, Wiltshire SN11 8AB or such other place as the majority of the members may determine, and notice of any change shall be sent by the Secretary to the Registrar within 14 days in the manner and form provided by the Treasury Regulations in that behalf. The objects of the club are to afford to its members the means of social fellowship, mutual helpfulness, mental and moral improvement and rational recreation.

STATUS OF THE CLUB

2. The Club shall be a members' club with no political affiliations and shall consist of those classes of member specified in Rule 3 hereof.

MEMBERSHIP

3. The Club shall consist of:

a. Full or Financial Members - who have full access to all recreational facilities offered by the club, full voting rights and eligibility to serve on the committee (after qualifying period) or hold an honorary position and introduce candidates for membership. The full membership fee will be determined at a general meeting but shall not exceed £10 (Ten Pounds). Senior Citizens shall pay one-fifth of the full membership fee.

b. Honorary Members - who will be awarded this status for special services to the club and will have the same rights and privileges as full members. There is no charge for this category member.

c. Temporary Members - who will have full access to all club recreational facilities only, for a continuous period not exceeding 14 days in any one year. Temporary membership fee will be one-quarter of the full members fee.

d. Junior Members - who will be under 18 years, but 16 years and over. The Junior members may not drink alcohol, nor part-

icipate on the gaming machines, nor bring friends to the club who are not Junior members and will be ineligible for voting or official positions. Upon their 18th birthday full membership subscription becomes due and payable forthwith. Junior membership fee will be one-half of the full members fee.

NOTE Members in categories 3c and 3d shall not in number be significant in proportion to the total membership.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS

4. The procedure for the election to membership shall be as follows:

a. Every candidate for membership, of whatever class, shall be proposed by full or honorary member of the club and seconded by another. Said proposal shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary and shall cause the proposal to be displayed upon the club notice board for at least 48 hours thereafter and objections to the proposal from other members of the club must be delivered to the Secretary in writing within 24 hours after the expiry of the said period of 48 hours.

b. Election to membership shall be by the committee, whose decision shall be final.

c. No person shall be admitted to any class of membership without an interval of at least 48 hours between his/her nomination for membership and his/her admission. New members other than honorary members shall pay the current years membership subscription to the Treasurer before their admission shall be deemed complete.

The Club have the right to refuse membership.

5. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

a. Members may introduce and entertain guests at the Club and there shall be kept at the Club premises a Guest Book which both the member and the guest shall sign at the time of introduction. Guests may be supplied direct with alcohol.

b. No member may introduce more than two guests in any one day, and no person may be allowed in the Club as a guest on more than three occasions in a calendar month. The following shall not be admitted as guests-

Members who have been expelled or who are under suspension.
Persons who, having been nominated for membership, have not been elected.

c. Any member introducing a guest under this Rule must accompany him/her while he/she is on Club premises, and shall be responsible for his/her guests behaviour throughout his/her visit. The member shall be responsible for ensuring that his/her guest comply with the Club Rules while on Club premises.

VISITORS

6. In addition to members and their guests the following categories of visitors may (pursuant to Section 49 of the Licensing act 1964) be admitted to the Club for consumption there namely:-

(i) Members and supporters of visiting teams engaged in competitions at the Club or in presentations and meetings relating to competitions in which the club is involved and:-

(ii) Visitors attending by prior invitation bona fide functions of the types described in sub-rule (iii) of this rule.

(iii) The functions referred in sub rule (ii) of this rule are:-

(a) Wedding receptions where any of the bride, the groom, either of the bride's parents or either of the groom's parents is a club member.

(b) Functions held by a club member to celebrate an anniversary of that member and his or her spouse.

(c) Functions held by a Club member to celebrate an anniversary of the birth of that member.

Provided that the Committee may in their absolute discretion refuse admission to any such person without being required to give reasons for the decision.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

7. The subscriptions shall be such sum as may be passed by majority vote at a general meeting, payable on admission, not exceeding £10 (TEN POUNDS) subsequently on 31st January in each year in advance. Any member who shall not have paid his/her subscription by 31st January shall be considered in arrear and shall cease to be a member. The Secretary shall post in the clubroom not later than the seventh day of February a list of members in arrear and no such person shall be permitted to make use of the Club.

OFFICERS

8. The officers of the Club shall be:

a. Secretary, Treasurer, Trustees. All of whom must be full members of the Club, and of two years standing and shall, after election, remain in office at the pleasure of the Club.

b. Proposals designed to remove any of these Officers or to fill any vacancy which may occur must stand as a notice posted on the Club notice board, for the period of at least fourteen days, and the Officer concerned be given seven clear days notice by registered or recorded delivery post of the proposal to remove him/her from office.

c. The Secretary and Treasurer may only be deposed by a ballot of Financial members (not committee) in which two thirds of the votes are in favour thereof.

In the case of the trustees, a simple majority shall decide.

COMMITTEE

9. The managing committee shall consist of the Officers as at 8a, the President, Vice President, and 12 members all of whom shall be over 21 years of age. The Committee shall control the management of the Club and shall have full power to engage or

dismiss any servants and negotiate wages for employees of the Club, ie. Secretary, Treasurer, Steward/Stewardess, Bar staff, Cleaners and Doorman. It shall have power to make such bye-laws as may be necessary, provided that no such bye-law is contrary to any of these rules. It may delegate to sub-committee any portion of its duties as it may deem expedient. It shall have power to purchase such articles and do all such things as it may deem necessary for the carrying out the objects of the Club.

Nothing in these rules shall enable the Committee to declare dividend or make any monetary grants to the members or to apply the Club funds except for the purpose of the Club itself. The committee shall not enter into any bond or agreement binding the Club to purchase exciseables from any person or persons or in any way to part with its control and that of the Club members over the supply of exciseables to the Club.

No member of the Committee shall receive any benefit from the ordering or purchasing of any items, the booking of entertainment or the organising and dealing with matter on behalf of the Club, other than as approved by the Committee.

It shall meet at least once a month at such times as they may appoint for general business. The President, or Vice-President, shall be the chairperson of the meeting. In their absence, a chairperson elected at that meeting, for that meeting only shall preside. The Chairperson shall have a casting vote. Nine excluding the Chairperson, shall form a quorum.

Any member not attending for three consecutive meetings shall, unless he/she sends an explanation which the Committee consider satisfactory, cease to be a member. Any vacancy occurring by death, non-attendance, or resignation may be filled by the Committee by co-option from the voting list. Any member co-opted to fill a vacancy shall retire at the Annual General Meeting.

A Member of the Committee may be suspended from his/her position until the next Annual General Meeting if circumstances

arise so that the Committee decide that such action is necessary. Any member of the Committee shall be removable at any time by a majority of three-quarters of the members present at special general meeting called for that purpose.

If any member of the Committee has what may be deemed a special interest in any matter or any person concerning any subject being discussed and decided by the Committee at a committee meeting, then that committee member shall declare such and interest and withdraw from the meeting at his/her discretion.

If any such interest becomes known after a decision by the Committee the President or his deputy may declare the decision(s) null and void and direct the Secretary to arrange that the matter be decided at another meeting. Any fully paid up member may attend Committee meetings but will not be allowed to speak or participate in the meeting.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

10. A general election of the Committee shall be by ballot. Each financial member of the club shall have one vote for each vacancy but no member shall give more than one vote for each vacancy and no member shall give more than one vote to any one candidate.

At least two weeks prior to the general meeting a notice shall be posted in the Club by the Secretary inviting the nomination of candidates for the committee and such list shall remain open for nomination of candidates for the committee and such list shall remain open for nominations for at least one day following the general meeting.

No candidate shall be eligible for election unless he/she is a financial member and of at least 2 (Two) years standing and is proposed and seconded by two financial Members who shall themselves sign the nomination paper. No member may propose or second more than one candidate.

