



GREETLAND ALLROUNDERS A.R.L.F.C.

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CLUB CONSTITUTION

Adopted at a Special General Meeting of the Club on 15th January 2014

Amended and agreed at a meeting of the Management Committee on 12th June 2017

1 Name and Headquarters

The club shall be known as Greetland Allrounders Amateur Rugby League Club ('the Club'). The Club's headquarters are situated at the Spring Rock Grounds, Rochdale Road, Upper Greetland, Halifax, HX4 8PL.

2 Objects

The main objective of the Club is the provision of facilities for the promotion of participation in playing, and management of the game of Amateur Rugby League Football. It is also to encourage sportsmen and women of all abilities to participate in sport and social events.

The Club will be a member of the British Amateur Rugby League and any of its successors, thereby encouraging young people to make use of the facilities of the club, and the development of sport and the game of rugby league in particular.

The Club will maintain and develop the land and facilities at Spring Rock as a venue for playing the game of rugby league and conducting other activities so as to provide the best possible facilities for members and the community.

Furthermore and in addition, it will be an aim to promote the Club as a centre of community activity including sporting, cultural and social development.

The Club will operate an Equality Policy, awarding equal rights regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs in all spheres of its operations.

3 Membership

All members will be subject to the regulations of the constitution and by joining the club will be deemed to accept these regulations and codes of conduct that the club has adopted and the policies and rules of British Rugby League. Members will be enrolled in one of the following categories:

- full member
- junior member
- family member
- life member
- honorary member
- associate member

Members with voting rights shall be all of the above with the exception of Honorary Members, Junior Members and Associate members.

Family Membership will hold one vote per family membership.



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At all forms of meetings the Chairperson will not have a general vote but will have the casting vote in the event of a tied vote.

Membership of the Club shall be open to any person interested in the sport on application regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs. However, limitation of membership according to available facilities is allowable on a non discriminatory basis.

The Club may have different classes of membership and subscription on a non discriminatory and fair basis. The Club will keep subscriptions at levels that will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating.

The Club Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute. Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to the Committee.

All Coaches and Players must be paid up members of the Club.

Candidates for Full, Junior or Family membership should complete the Membership Application Form and submit it to the Secretary or Treasurer of the Club with the appropriate membership fee. Individuals or a group who wish to apply for Associate Membership should supply all details to the Committee with the appropriate membership fee.

A candidate not elected for membership shall not be proposed again for election within a twelve month period.

4 Life/Honorary members

Any member who has been a member for not less than ten years may, subject to the consent of the Committee, become a life member on payment of a reasonable sum to be decided by the Committee in lieu of further annual subscriptions.

Any member who secures a playing contract with a professional rugby league club and proceeds to play in a competitive first team fixture for that club will receive Life Membership status with no requirement to pay annual membership subscriptions.

The Committee may fix a limit to the number of life members.

Life Members still have voting rights as specified in item 3 above.

The Management Committee shall have the power to propose Honorary Members, without payment of any further subscription, for outstanding service to the Club.

Honorary Members will have no voting rights.

After a member has been proposed for this honour, it may only be bestowed at the behest of an Annual or Special General Meeting.



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5 Associate Members

The Club may have associate members who comprise individuals or groups representing sports and associated recreations other than Rugby League whose proposal for membership shall comply with item 3.

Associate members are entitled to vote.

6 Management

The Club is managed by a committee consisting of President, Trustees, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, General Secretary and Rugby Secretary, Child Welfare Officer and Treasurer and ordinary Committee Members.

A minimum of five will constitute a quorum. All decisions require a minimum of three non-related, non-cohabiting committee members.

The Management Committee will be responsible for adopting new policies, codes of conduct and rules that affect the organisation of the club, including defining additional committee roles and responsibilities on an annual basis

The President and Trustees shall be elected by the members and associate members and they shall hold office until death, resignation or expulsion. Any casual vacancy in the office of President or Trustee may be filled by the Committee and the person so nominated shall hold office until the next General Meeting after such appointment when he/she shall retire but may be reappointed by the members and associate members at such a meeting. The President and Trustees shall be ex-officio members of the committee. The Trustees shall not number less than three and the property of the club shall be vested in them. They shall deal with Club property as directed by the Committee (but shall be indemnified by the Club against any loss or expense incurred).

The Committee must be elected at the Annual General Meeting in each year, and retiring members of the Committee may be re-elected.

Any two members shall propose any candidate or candidates by notice in writing to the Secretary at least ten days before the meeting. If any such notice shall be given, all members entitled to vote shall be appraised thereof at least before the date of the meeting. Voting shall be by show of hands and every member shall be entitled to vote for as many vacancies as there are to be filled.

An Associate member is entitled to be proposed as a candidate for the Committee, save that there may be only one Committee member representing each sport at any one time.

The candidate nominated for a vacancy who receives the most votes shall be declared elected and in the case of two or more candidates receiving an equal number votes the Chairman shall have the casting vote.

The Committee may fill any vacancy that occurs.

The Committee may from time to time appoint from among themselves such sub-committees as they deem necessary or expedient and devolve upon such sub-committee any powers deemed necessary.



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The Committee shall meet at least once a month to discuss the accounts and arrange the affairs of the Club. An associate member is entitled to have two members of its own club in attendance at the meeting. Minutes shall be taken of all proceedings of the Committee and shall be open to the inspection of any member of the club applying to the Secretary.

The Committee shall have the power to make arrangements, hold matches, tournaments or other competitions including the imposition of a charge for admission of non members to the grounds to provide cups and prizes for competition as may be required on any occasion as the Committee in their discretion think proper.

The Committee shall have the power to prohibit games, tournaments, competitions or any other event if in their opinion they would be injurious to the club.

The Committee will be responsible for disciplinary hearings of members who infringe the club rules/regulations/constitution. The Committee will be responsible for taking any action of suspension or discipline following such hearings.

7 Subscriptions

The annual subscriptions shall be decided at each General Meeting for members and associate members.

Subscriptions are due on 1st August in every year.

If the subscription has not been paid within three months after the date it falls due (whether demanded or not), the defaulter shall cease to be a member or associate member of the club.

8 Visitors

Every member of the Club is entitled to introduce visitors subject to such regulations and bye laws as shall be made from time to time by the Committee.

Visitors may not vote at any meeting of members.

There may be admitted to the premises of the Club members of other sports' groups visiting the Club for the purpose of matches, tournaments and other events subject to such regulations and bye laws as shall be made from time to time by the Committee.

9 Resignation

If at any time the Committee shall be of the opinion that to do so is in the interests of the club, they may by letter invite any member of the club to resign. If at such request the member fails to resign within three weeks, the member may be expelled under item 10.

10 Expulsion

The Committee may expel any member who offends against the rules of the club or whose conduct, in the opinion of the Committee, renders him unfit for membership of the club.

Before any such member is expelled, the Secretary must give the member 21 days written notice to attend a meeting of the Committee and must inform of the complaints made against them.

No member may be expelled unless he has first had an opportunity to appear before the Committee and answer complaints made against them and at least two-thirds of the Committee then present vote in favour of expulsion.



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No member whose membership has been terminated under this rule or who owes money to the Club may be introduced by any other member as a visitor to any part of the club premises.

Any person ceasing to be a member of the Club (howsoever occurring) shall forfeit all rights to, and claims under, the Club, its property and funds.

11 Alteration of rules

The Committee may alter, add to or repeal by resolution at any Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting providing that no resolution shall be passed unless it is passed by two-thirds of the votes of the members present.

12 Byelaws

The Committee may make byelaws (not inconsistent with these rules) to regulate the conduct and affairs of the Club.

The byelaws must be posted in some conspicuous part of the club premises and are binding on all the members (whether associate members or otherwise).

13 Annual General Meetings

The AGM will be held within two months of the financial year ending. Subscriptions for the following year will be due from the date of the AGM and all payments must be received within one calendar month of the AGM.

The only persons allowed access to the AGM and voting rights, will be paid up members of the Club.

The AGM date and time will be publicised at least twenty one days in advance of the AGM with the Agenda. A yearly balance sheet will be available seven days before the AGM to members.

The Management Committee will recommend the full 'Club' membership subscription for consideration by the membership at the AGM.

The AGM will also deal with the following:

- Receive and if approved, adopt a statement of the Club's accounts to the end of the preceding financial year. For this purpose, the financial year end is the 31st of May of each year. The yearly balance sheet will be available to members 7 days prior to the AGM
- Consider and if agreed, sanction any proposals to alter or amend the constitution or rules of the Club.
- Appoint Officers or other members to the committee.
- Appoint, where deemed appropriate, an independent examiner to examine the accounts of the Club.
- Deal with any special matters arising which the Committee desire to bring to the notice of the members and vice versa.



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Members wishing to move a resolution at the AGM must submit it in writing to the Secretary at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting. Receipt of this will be acknowledged by the Secretary to the member in writing. This will then appear on the agenda available seven days prior to the AGM.

Nominations for election to the Committee and/or Officers positions should be received by the Secretary at least seven days prior to the General meeting.

14 Special General Meetings

A special general meeting may be convened at any time by the Committee and must be convened within 21 days from receipt of a requisition in writing signed by not less than 10 members specifying the object of the meeting.

A special general meeting may be convened:

- to consider and, if approved, sanction any duly made alteration of the rules;
- to deal with any special matter which the Committee wishes to place before the members;
- to remove any member of the Committee from office and to fill any vacancy or vacancies caused by the removal or
- to deal with any special matter which the members requiring the meeting wish to place before the club.

Notice convening a special general meeting must be posted in some conspicuous part of the club premises not less than 10 days before the meeting and must specify the matters to be dealt with.

15 Chairman's casting vote

At Committee meetings and at general meetings the President or Chairman shall preside, and he or she may have a casting or additional vote in the event of an equality of votes. Should both the President or Chairman be absent, a member selected by the meeting shall preside.

16 Finance

All club monies will be banked in an account held in the name of the club.

The Club Treasurer will be responsible for the finances of the club.

The financial year of the club will end on: *31st May*

A statement of annual accounts will be presented by the Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting.

Any cheques drawn against club funds should hold the signatures of the Treasurer plus up to two other officers.



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17 Child Welfare Officer (CWO)

A person in the Club will be designated as the Children's Welfare Officer. This person will be responsible for the identifying & recording of all persons likely to come in to contact or control of persons under the age of eighteen years of age or otherwise designated as by act of law as Vulnerable.

This person is responsible for the submission of enhanced Criminal Record/DBS checks and examination and recording of such persons that have contact or control of children or otherwise designated vulnerable persons. I.e. Coaches, managers, persons providing first aid, transport etc.

The CWO will provide or arrange to supply suitable training for the necessary members of the club to help them carry out their roles and comply with Child protection in sport recommendations.

Any allegations made must be in the first instance reported to the CWO, who will take the appropriate actions

18 Licensing Act 1964

Purchase for the club and supply by the club of intoxicating liquor must be in the absolute discretion of a sub-committee of not less than three members being members of the committee appointed for that purpose.

If any member for any reason ceases to be a member of the committee, he automatically ceases to be a member of the sub-committee, and another member of the committee must be appointed in his place.

The sub-committee must not in any way be restricted in freedom of purchase.

People other than members, associate members and guests that attend the Club's premises for the purpose of the objects of the club may be admitted to the clubs registered premises and, subject to any conditions attached to the registration certificate for the club premises, intoxicating liquor may be sold to those persons by or on behalf of the club for consumption on the premises and not elsewhere.

19 Health and Safety

The Committee will be responsible for the health and safety of the members, visitors and guests to the Club.

As food is supplied to the members and visitors to the Club, health and safety rules in relation to the supply of food will be complied with.

Notices in relation to health and safety will be displayed in a conspicuous position.

20 Club Property

No member shall take away or permit to be taken away from the clubhouse or grounds under any pretence whatsoever or shall injure or destroy any equipment, newspaper, pamphlet, book or any other article or item that is the property of the club.

21 Breakages

Any member breaking or damaging any furniture or property whether deliberately or by a reckless act shall pay for the same. Such sum not exceeding the value of the articles damaged or broken as the management committee think is proper.



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22 Indemnity

The members of the Management Committee shall have a right of indemnity against reimbursement out of funds and property of the Club in respect of any claim brought against them with regard to acts done or omitted in their respective capacity, so long as those acts or omission were within the scope of their authority

23 Dissolution

A resolution to dissolve the club can only be passed at an AGM or SGM through a majority vote of at least three quarters of the members present.

The dissolution shall take effect from the date of the resolution and the members of The Management Committee shall be responsible for the winding up of the assets and liabilities of the club.

Upon dissolution of the Club any unspent grant will either be returned to the grant provider or, with their permission, donated to a similar project in the local area.

The club is a non-profit making organisation. All profit and surpluses will be used for the benefit of the club. No profit or surpluses will be distributed other than to another non-profit making body upon dissolution of the club.

Any Club assets will also be transferred to a similar project in the local area and, where any assets were obtained with grant funding, permission to do so will be sought from the grant provider.

The decision to liaise with any grant providers and to choose which project is to be the recipient of any assets is delegated to The Management Committee.

Signed:-

Signature: _____

Name: _____

MARCUS TURNER

Position: _____

CHAIRMAN

Date: _____

12th JUNE 2017