

# Young at Heart Constitution

**NAME:** Young at Heart

**AIMS:** Young at Heart is an intergenerational group – socialising the elderly with the local primary school children.

**POWERS:** To further these aims the committee shall have power to:

- a) Obtain, collect and receive money or funds by way of contributions, donations, grants and any other lawful method towards the aims of the Group.
- b) Associate local authorities, voluntary organisations and the resident of Heathfield and surrounding areas in a common effort to carry out the aims of the Group.
- c) Do all such lawful things as will further the aims of the Group.

**MEMBERSHIP:** a) Voting membership shall be open to anyone over the age of 18 who supports the aims of the Group.

- b) The Management Committee shall have the power to approve or reject applications for membership or to terminate the membership of any

member provided that the member shall have the right to be heard by the Committee before a final decision is made.

- MANAGEMENT:**
- a) A Management Committee elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall manage the Group.
  - b) The Committee shall consist of a chair, secretary, treasurer and representative from Old Heathfield Cricket Club and other voting members.
  - c) The Committee shall meet at least twice a year.
  - d) At least 3 committee members must be present at a committee meeting to be able to make decisions.
  - e) A proper record of all transactions and meeting shall be kept.

**GENERAL  
MEETINGS:**

- a) An Annual General Meeting shall be held within 12 months of the date of adoption of this constitution and each year thereafter.
- b) Notices of the AGM shall be published 3 weeks beforehand and a report on the Group's financial position for the previous year will be made available at the same time.

- c) Special General Meeting may be called at any time at the request of the committee, or not less than quarter of the membership. A notice explaining the place, date, time and reason shall be sent to all members three weeks beforehand.
- d) One third of membership or four members being present, whichever is the greater, shall enable a General Meeting to take place.
- e) Proposals to change the constitution must be given in writing to the secretary at least 28 days before a general meeting and approved by a two thirds majority of those present and voting.

**ACCOUNTS:**

- a) The funds of the group including all donations, contributions and bequests, shall be paid into an account operated by the management committee. All cheques drawn on the account must be signed by at least two members of the Management Committee.
- b) The funds belonging to the group shall be applied only to further the aims of the group.
- c) A current record of all income, funding and expenditure will be kept.

- DISSOLUTION:**
- a) The Group may be dissolved by a resolution passed by a simple two-thirds majority of those present and voting at a Special General Meeting.
  
  - b) If confirmed, the committee shall distribute assets remaining after the payment of all bills to other charitable group(s) or organisation(s) having aims similar to the Group or some other charitable purpose(s) as the Group may decide.

c) Signed by:

Chair ..... Date .....

Secretary ..... Date .....

Treasurer ..... Date .....