



## **South Wilts Cricket Club**

The County Ground, Wilton Road,  
Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP2 9NY

# **CLUB CONSTITUTION 2013**

## **1. Name**

The Club will be called South Wilts Cricket Club and will be affiliated to the England and Wales Cricket Board. The office of the club shall be situated at the County Cricket Ground, Wilton Road, Salisbury.

## **2. Aims and objectives**

The aims and objectives of the club will be:

- To offer coaching and competitive opportunities in cricket.
- To promote the club within the local community and cricket generally.
- To manage South Wilts Cricket Ground, being part of Salisbury and South Wilts Sports Club.
- To ensure a duty of care to all members of the club by adopting and implementing the England and Wales Cricket Board “ Safe Hands – Welfare of Young People in Cricket” Policy and any future versions of the policy.
- To provide all its services in a way that is fair to everyone.
- To ensure that all present and future members receive fair and equal treatment.

## **3. Inclusion and diversity policy statement**

South Wilts Cricket Club is committed to ensuring inclusion and diversity equity is incorporated across all aspects of its development. In doing so it accepts and has adopted and implemented the ECB's Club inclusion and Diversity Policy statement.

## **4. Membership**

Membership of the club shall be open to all persons irrespective of age, ability, gender, race, ethnicity, religious belief, sexuality or social/economic status. Any such person shall become a member upon payment of the annual subscription. 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. All parents/carers/guardians of Junior members by association become associate members with non voting rights.

Members will be enrolled in one of the following categories:

- Full member
- Associate member
- Junior member
- Life member
- Vice - president

The Annual General Meeting may, in recognition of long or special service, elect any person to be an Honorary Life Vice - President and persons so elected shall enjoy all the benefits of full membership.

Members of the club shall be entitled:

- To attend and vote at all general meetings of the club
- To submit agenda items for discussion at general meetings
- To stand for election as an officer of the club or member of any committee or sub – committee of the club
- To nominate other members for election as officers or members of any committee or sub-committee of the club

#### **4. Membership fees**

Membership fees will be set annually at the Annual General Meeting. Fees shall be due on 1st May for membership during the following twelve months.

In all instances equitable pricing which is fair, and which does not become a bar to membership shall be employed. Should a member be suffering financial difficulties then the Club will consider any reasonable request for a waiving of all or part fees during such a period. Any requests should be initially raised through the Club Secretary.

#### **5. Officers of the club**

The officers of the club will be:

- Chair
- Honorary Secretary
- Honorary Treasurer
- Club Development Manager
- Director of Junior Cricket
- Child Welfare Officer
- Captains
- Any other such officers as elected at the Annual General Meeting

Officers will be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. All officers will retire each year but will be eligible for re-election.

#### **6. Committee**

The club will be managed through the Management Committee consisting of the officers of the club as 5 above. Only those persons will have the right to vote at meetings of the Management Committee.

The Management Committee will be convened by the Secretary of the club and held no less than four times per year. The quorum required for business to be agreed at Management

Committee meetings will be six. The Management Committee will be responsible for adopting new policy, code of conduct and rules that affect the organisation of the club.

The Management Committee will have powers to appoint sub – committees as necessary and appoint advisers to the Management Committee as necessary to fulfil its business.

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

## **7. 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 October. An audited statement of annual accounts will be presented by the Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting. Any cheques drawn against club funds should hold the signature of the Treasurer plus one other officer.

## **8. Annual General Meetings**

Notice of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be given by the Club Secretary. Not less than fourteen days clear notice to be given to all members.

The AGM will receive a report from the Club Secretary and a statement of audited accounts.

Nominations for officers of the Management Committee will be sent to the Secretary prior to the AGM.

Election of officers is to take place at the AGM.

All members have the right to vote at the AGM.

The quorum for AGMs will be fifteen members.

In the event of an equality of votes the Chairperson shall have the casting vote.

A vote shall not be taken on any proposal / subject which does not appear on the formal agenda.

The Secretary shall convene an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) as follows:-

By order of the Management Committee

At the signed request of not less than twelve members of the club.

Requests for EGM's shall specify in the form of a precise resolution the object for which the meeting is to be called and such requests shall reach the Secretary at least twenty eight days before the proposed date of the meeting. Procedures for EGM's will be the same as for AGMs.

## **9. Discipline and appeals**

All complaints regarding the behaviour of members should be submitted in writing to the Secretary.

The Management Committee will meet to hear complaints within fourteen days of a complaint being lodged. The Management Committee has the power to take appropriate disciplinary action

including the termination of membership.

The outcome of a disciplinary hearing should be notified in writing to the person who lodged the complaint and the member against whom the complaint was made within seven days of the hearing.

There will be a right of appeal to the Management Committee following disciplinary action being announced. The Management Committee should consider the appeal within fourteen days of the Secretary receiving the appeal.

## **10. Dissolution**

A resolution to dissolve the club can only be passed at an AGM or EGM through a majority vote of the members. In the event of dissolution, any assets of the club that remain will become the property of the Wiltshire Cricket Board.

## **11. Amendments to the constitution**

The constitution can only be changed through agreement by majority vote at an AGM or EGM.

## **12. Declaration**

South Wilts Cricket Club hereby adopted this constitution at an EGM meeting held:-  
at the Salisbury & South Wilts Sports Club, Salisbury on: Tuesday 19th February 2013

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date : \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Trevor Pittman - Club Chairman

Witnessed by

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date : \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Dan Hawkins - Club Secretary