

## CONSTITUTION OF PAINSWICK PROBUS CLUB

PURPOSE. The purpose of the Club is to provide a regular meeting point for retired professional and business men - particularly for those who would appreciate and value social contacts in their retirement, the opportunity of meeting others in similar circumstances and participating in activities of general interest.

### THE RULES.

1. TITLE. The Club shall be called "The Painswick Probus Club" or such title as the Club may decide.

2. MEMBERSHIP. Membership shall be open to all professional and business men, aged sixty and over, residing in, or in the vicinity of Painswick, who have fully or partially retired from their normal business or profession. The restrictions regarding residence and age may be waived at the discretion of the Committee.

An applicant for membership shall be introduced by an existing member and his application approved by the Committee. A prospective new member shall have been brought to one meeting as a guest.

The membership maximum shall be sixty or such other number as shall be decided at an Annual General or Special General Meeting.

3. SUBSCRIPTIONS. Subscriptions shall be determined at each Annual General Meeting after receiving the Treasurer's Report.

4. CONSTITUTION. The Club shall be independent of any other organisation and its affairs shall be conducted under the authority of its own membership.

There shall be a President, Vice-President, Immediate Past President, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer.

The affairs of the Club shall be managed by the Committee consisting of these officers and two others, all to be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

The President shall automatically retire from office on completion of one year in the Chair. He shall automatically become an ex-officio Committee member for the year following his retirement.

Three members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum and the Committee shall have the power to co-opt and to appoint one or more sub-Committees.

5. MEETINGS. An Annual General Meeting shall be held in April of each year at such time and such place as may be determined by the Commttee. At least three weeks notice of

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such meeting shall be given to members.

The Hon. Secretary shall call a Special General Meeting on the written request of not less than five members and shall give to members at least three weeks' notice of such meetings.

Voting at all meetings shall be by show of hands or by ballot if so determined. In the event of an equal division of votes the Chairman of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.

6. ACCOUNTS. An Income and Expenditure Account for the period to the 5th March of each year shall be prepared and presented for approval at the Annual General Meeting, after audit by a member appointed at the previous Annual General Meeting.

The Committee shall appoint the Club's bankers. Cheques shall be signed by any two of the officers as defined in Rule 4 above.