



North Herts Knights Basketball Club

Constitution

1. Name

The Club will be called North Herts Knights Basketball Club.

2. Legal Status

The legal status of the club will be an Unincorporated Association.

3. Purpose

The aims and objectives of the club will be:

- To promote and provide amateur basketball to the local community.
- To provide developmental basketball opportunities to the local community.
- To offer community development competitive opportunities in basketball.
- To ensure a duty of care to all members of the Club.
- To ensure that all its services in a way that is fair to everyone.

4. Affiliation

The Club will be affiliated to Herts Basketball Association and Basketball England.

5. Membership

Membership will consist of officers and members of the club. 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.

Members will be enrolled in one of the following categories:

- Full registered senior playing member
- Full registered junior playing member
- Training member

- Associate (non-playing) member
- Life member

6. Membership Fees

Membership fees and payment structures will be set annually and agreed by the Committee in advance of the upcoming season.

The Club operates a “no pay, no play” policy in respect of fees, meaning that a member who is in arrears will not be allowed to attend Club training sessions or matches.

7. Officers of the Club

The officers of the club will be:

- Chairperson
- Vice Chairperson
- Head of Youth
- Treasurer
- Safeguarding and Compliance Officer

All officers will be elected at the Annual General Meeting via proposal, seconding, and voting. Officers retire annually but may be re-elected.

8. Committee

The Club will be managed through the Committee consisting of:
Officers:

- Chairperson
- Vice Chairperson
- Head of Youth
- Treasurer
- Safeguarding and Compliance Officer
- Club Secretary

Other positions:

- Coaches’ representative
- Senior Players representative
- Parents’ representative
- Women and Girls representative
- Community sessions representative

Only these posts have the right to vote. The Chairperson’s vote is decisive in ties. A quorum of five is required. Meetings will be held at least twice per year.

Additional operational support functions within the club:

- Team Managers
- Communications & Media Officer
- Club Officials Officer
- Equipment Manager
- Fundraising and Sponsorship Lead

9. Property and Finance

The property and funds of the Club cannot be used for private benefit beyond what the Constitution allows. Surplus funds must be reinvested.

The Club may provide facilities, equipment, insurance, away-match expenses, and hospitality where consistent with its purpose.

The Club may:

- Sell food, drink, sports clothing and equipment.
- Remunerate members for goods/services on fair terms.
- Pay reasonable hospitality for visitors.

All monies will be banked in the Club's name. The financial year ends 30th June. A Statement of Accounts will be presented at the AGM.

Bank signatories: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer.

10. Annual General Meetings

The Chairperson will give at least fourteen days' notice.

The AGM will:

- Review the Committee structure and elect Officers
- Receive the Statement of Accounts
- Consider member-submitted agenda items

Quorum: five. EGMs follow the same procedure.

11. Discipline and Appeals

Complaints must be submitted to the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson.

Hearings will normally occur within 14 days.

The Committee may issue disciplinary action including suspension or expulsion.

Appeals will be heard by the Officer who did not participate in the original hearing.

12. Safeguarding, Welfare and Equality

The Committee will follow all relevant laws and ensure all engaged personnel are appropriately trained.

Policies will be published on the Club website and available in hard copy.

13. Dissolution

Dissolution requires a majority vote at an AGM or EGM.

The Committee will:

- Settle liabilities
- Dispose of assets to Herts Basketball
- Dispose of assets to Basketball England

14. Amendments

The Constitution may only be amended through majority vote at an AGM.

15. Declaration

North Herts Knights Basketball Club hereby adopts and accepts this Constitution as the operating guide regulating the actions of all members.

SIGNED: _____

DATE: 25th November 2025

NAME: Adam Sullivan

POSITION: Club Chairman