

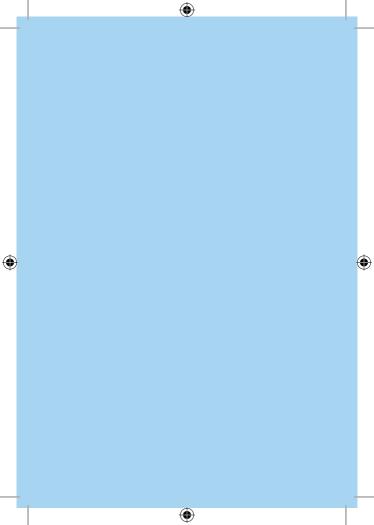
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#### ALL PREVIOUS RULES RESCINDED

#### NAME AND OBJECTIVE OF CLUB

 The Kinson Conservative Club hereinafter referred to as "the club", shall be situated at 1394/1414 Wimborne Road, Kinson, Bournemouth or such other place as the majority of members shall determine.

Its objects shall be to carry on business of a Club and, in so doing, to promote by all proper means the principles of Conservatism, and the implementation of the Conservative Party's policies.

The Club shall be affiliated to and inter-affiliate with, the Association of Conservative Clubs Limited, subject to the rules and regulations thereof.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

- The election of members male & female shall be vested solely in the Committee and shall be by ballot. Two votes against admission shall exclude a candidate.
- Only Conservatives, who intend to become subscribing members of a Conservative Association affiliated to the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Association, not being under 18 years of age, shall be entitled to be eligible for membership.









- 4. Any two members of not less than twelve months standing may propose and second a candidate for membership and shall be able from personal knowledge to vouch for his/her respectability and fitness to be a member and both of them shall sign the nomination form, as shall the candidate, who, by so doing, shall pledge to support the leaders of the Conservative Party and to abide by the Rules of the Club now, or hereafter, in force, in the event of being elected a member. No paid employee should be a member of the Club.
- The name, address and occupation of each candidate, and the names of the proposer and seconder, shall be posted on the Club Notice Board at least seven days before the day on which his/her name is to be submitted for election.
- Any member who is of the opinion that any candidate so proposed would not be a desired member, shall inform the Secretary who shall communicate the objection to the Committee.
- The Committee may require the attendance of any proposer, seconder and their candidate to answer such questions as may be put to them.

If they do not appear before the Committee when required to do so, or send a satisfactory excuse for not doing so within four weeks, the candidate's election shall not be proceeded with.

8. No candidate shall be admitted to the privileges of membership, until he/she shall have been formally elected a member by the Committee, and paid the first subscription and entrance fee. On receipt of the candidate's deposit they will be allowed access to the Club until the date of the next Membership Meeting.





#### SPECIAL CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

9. (a) Honorary Members. The Committee shall have power to elect from time to time as honorary members without entrance fee of subscriptions, persons of distinction of those who have rendered valuable services to the Conservative Cause or the Club, including the Conservative Agent for this Constituency. An interval of at lease 2 days shall elapse between their election

and admission as members. Such Honorary Members shall enjoy the full privileges of membership except holding office

- (b) Life Members. The Committee shall have power to elect as Life Members those who have completed 25 years successive subscribing membership of the Club irrespective of age and to terminate at any time the Life membership of any member so elected if in their opinion it is desirable in the interests of the Club. Life Members shall be entitled to the full rights and privileges of membership without payment of any subscriptions.
- (c) Honorary Vice Presidents. The Committee shall have power to elect as Honorary Vice Presidents, members who have rendered valuable services to the Club.



or power to vote.







#### **DISQUALIFICATION OF CANDIDATES**

 No rejected candidate shall again be proposed as a member until the expiration of twelve months from the date of such rejection.

No person who shall have been expelled from this or any other Conservative Club affiliated to or interaffiliated with the Association of Conservative Clubs Limited, shall ever again be proposed as a candidate, or make use of the Club premises, except by consent of the Committee.

#### RESIGNATION OF MEMBERSHIP

11. Any member wishing to resign must send a written notice to the Secretary, together with the subscription due up to the date of its taking effect, and shall thereupon cease to be a member.

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS

12. The ordinary subscription shall be of such sum as shall from time to time be determined by the Committee. Subscriptions shall be paid in advance on admission and subsequently on the 1st January each year.

A suspended member shall remain liable to pay his/her subscriptions.

13. Every member shall produce the receipts for subscription, or card of membership, whenever called upon to do so by any person authorised by the Committee to make such demand on the Clubs premises.







#### TEMPORARY MEMBERS

14. Members' relatives or friends who are staying in the area can be enrolled as temporary members on payment of a fee as determined from time to time by the Committee for a period of 28 days. They must be proposed and seconded and the rules of the club will apply as long as they remain temporary members.

Temporary members shall reside 30 miles or more from the Club premises.

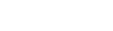
#### NON-PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTION

- 15. If any member fails to pay the subscription within thirty-one days after the same has become due, he/she shall be considered in arrears, he/she shall cease to be a member and his/her name shall be removed from the register of members.
- 16. No person in arrears shall be permitted to make use of the Club or take part in its affairs. If however, the delay in payment can be accounted for to the satisfaction of the Committee, the Committee may at its discretion direct that any member shall be exempt from the above.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

17. Any member changing address shall, within fourteen days, give notice to the Secretary in writing of such address, and until such notice is given, all communications and notices sent to the last address shall be deemed to have been served upon such member.







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#### INTER-AFFILIATION TICKET HOLDERS

18. Members of Clubs inter-affiliated with the Association of Conservative Clubs Limited, subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Association may on presentation of their Inter-Affiliation Ticket be admitted to the Club premises and intoxicating liquor may be supplied to them by or on behalf of the Club for consumption on the premises.

#### CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

- 19. Membership shall terminate:-
  - (a) On resignation (Rule 11)
  - (b) On non payment of subscription (Rule 15)
  - (c) On expulsion (Rule 31)
  - (d) On death

#### **OFFICERS**

20. The Officers of the Club shall consist of four Trustees who shall be elected according to Rule 26, a President, a Chairman (who shall be Chairman of the Committee, in which capacity shall have a second or casting vote), and a Vice Chairman who shall remain in office until their successors are elected and shall be elected annually by ballot in the week following the Annual General Meeting and at the end of their term shall be eligible for re-election. The Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Social Secretary when receiving a salary shall be Officers appointed by the Committee.

Candidate for election as Officers (except Trustees) shall have served as Committeepersons for a period of two years.





#### THE COMMITTEE

21. There shall be twelve Committee Members who shall be elected by ballot following the Annual General Meeting.

The senior six Committee Members in length of service from the date of the last election shall retire at each Annual General Meeting and shall be eligible for reelection.

If two or more Committee Members have served for the same period those to retire shall be selected by the Chairman by lot.

- 22. The Committee shall consist of the Officers and Committee Members referred to in Rules 20 and 21. The Committee shall meet at least once a month. Five members shall form a quorum.
- 23. Any member of the Committee being absent from three consecutive meetings of the Committee shall, unless there is written explanation, which the Committee shall deem satisfactory, cease to be a member of the Committee.

Any member or members of the Committee not being the Whole of the Committee shall cease to be members thereof on resignation and such resignation shall be deemed to be effective upon receipt by the Secretary of written notification. Any Member resigning from the Committee would be ineligible for re-election to the Committee for two years from their date of resignation.

Any member of the Committee ceasing to be a member of the Club, or who is suspended from the privileges of membership, shall cease to be a member of the Committee. Any vacancy so caused shall be filled as provide in Rule 39.





- (a) The Officers and Committee Members (except Appointed Officers who shall receive a salary determined by the Committee) may receive such honorarium as the Committee shall recommend to a General Meeting for confirmation.
- (b) Any Officer dealing with the monies of the Club and the Steward shall give such security as the Committee may from time to time determine, and shall discharge their duties under the direction of the Committee.
- (c) Appointment of Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Social Secretary. A written Contract of Service shall be sufficient evidence of appointment under this section and the terms thereof shall be substituted for all provisions in these Rules relating to the election, term of office, retirement and dismissal from office and similar matters relating to the Secretary, Assistant Secretary or Social Secretary.

#### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

#### President, Chairman and Vice-Chairman

25. The President, or in his absence the Chairman or the Vice Chairman shall preside at all meetings (other than Committee meetings) of the Club.







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#### TRUSTEES

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(a) All the property whether real or personal shall be vested in the Trustees and shall be held by them upon trust of the Club and for furthering the objects of the Club as provided by Rule 1 of these Rules. In the event of the Club being dissolved, all such property after payment of the outstanding obligations of the Club (if any) shall be held by the Trustees.

The Trustees shall have power, subject to authorisation by the Committee, to mortgage or charge the premises and other property of the Club for the purposes of raising such monies as maybe required to carry on the Club for the benefit and convenience of its members.

Every Trustee shall be entitled to be indemnified by the Club from and against all liability costs, damages, claims and demands incurred or suffered by him/her arising out of and in connection with anything done by him/her bona-fide as such Trustee of the Club or at the request of and in accordance with a Resolution of the Committee and the Trustees shall be authorised to charge the assets of the Club in their hands to satisfy any liability. If the assets of the Club shall be insufficient for the purpose aforesaid, then a special subscription shall be raised from and become payable by those persons who shall at the time such indemnity is invoked by members of the Club who shall contribute thereto such amounts as shall be determined by Resolution of the Committee.

(b) The Trustees shall be elected at a General or Special General Meeting by a majority of the members present and entitled to vote thereat, and shall remain in office during the pleasure of the Club.







Any or all of the Trustees may be removed by a majority of three-fourths of the members present at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose in the following manner:

The Secretary shall summon the meeting:

- (i) at the direction of the Committee, or
- (ii) upon receipt forwarded to him/her signed by one-fifth of the members or 30 members whichever is the less, stating the objects of such a meeting and he/she shall thereupon give fourteen day's notice thereof by a notice posted in the Club premises.

In case of a vacancy caused by removal, resignation or death, another Trustee shall be elected at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose in the manner as provided in Rule36.

## SECRETARY and ASSISTANT SECRETARY

27. The Assistant Secretary shall report directly to the Secretary. The Secretary shall on all occasions in the execution of the office act under the superintendence, control and direction of the Committee.

The Secretary or Assistant Secretary shall receive and account for monies daily from the Steward, exchanging monies when necessary. Balance till receipts, money and daily computer printout. Receive and account for monies from Social Secretary or other Officer or servant of the Club. Receive and account for monies received from all other areas of Club and write up and reconcile cashbook. Ensure excess monies are paid into the appropriate bank account on behalf of the Club.





They shall keep such accounts, documents and other papers of the Club, in such manner and for such purposes as Committee may direct.

The Secretary shall also see that all the debts of the Club are paid as directed by the Committee by cheques signed by any one of the authorised signatories and countersigned by the Secretary. At every regular meeting of the Committee (or more often if required) produce the paying in book and bank statements for inspections showing the foregoing duties have been carried out.

The Secretary shall summon and attend all meetings and take minutes of the proceedings.

The Secretary shall in every year prepare or cause to be prepared the balance sheet and income and expenditure account and submit the same to the Accountant of the Club.

The Secretary and Assistant Secretary shall keep upon the Club premises a register of the names and addresses of the Club members and be responsible for membership subscriptions and updating computerised records.

The Secretary shall ensure that the Club is registered with all the appropriate authorities and maintain up to date licences. Shall be responsible for the insurance of the Club against fire and burglary and in respect to liability for accidents occurring to the Club servants and or any other purposes directed by the Committee. Shall comply with the requirements of the Commissioners of the Inland Revenue with the regard to the reduction of income tax from the wages or salaries of the employees. Shall also account for VAT to Customs & Excise when necessary.

Shall be supplied by the Committee with copies of the Rules and shall be bound to deliver a copy thereof to any member on demand on such payment as the Committee may from time to time determine.





The Secretary shall carry out such other duties as are reasonably incidental to the position.

#### SPORTS AND SOCIAL SECRETARY

28. The Social Secretary shall be responsible for keeping proper records and the checking of all monies collected by the Social Committee in respect of Bingo, Totes, Lotteries, Draws, Outings and other Social Events run in the Club. The balance of these monies, after recorded expenses, to be paid weekly or at shorter intervals to the Club Secretary. Shall be in attendance when any of the above are taking place to ensure these are undertaken in a fit and proper manner.

Shall be responsible for all sports events and liaising with the Sports Capitals for their individual requirements.

Shall carry out, in conjunction with the Vice Chairman and the Secretary, such other duties as are reasonably incidental to the sports and social activities of the Club.

#### **AUTHORITY OF THE COMMITTEE**

29. The Committee shall conduct the general business of the Club, regulate the internal management, have power to enforce Rules, and make such bye-laws as may be necessary for the conduct of the Club in conformity with these Rules.

At the first meeting after the Annual General Meeting the Committee may appoint a Political Subcommittee, of which not more than one-half of the members shall also be members of the Committee.









Committee.

The appointment and the dismissal of the Secretary,
Assistant Secretary or Social Secretary if appointed in
accordance with Rule 24, the Steward and all other Club
servants shall be vested solely in the Committee.

30. No resolution passed by the Committee shall be rescinded unless notice shall have been given at a previous meeting of the Committee of intention to propose such rescission.

#### 31.

- (a) The Committee shall have power to reprimand, suspend for a period not exceeding one year, or expel any member who shall infringe any Rule or whose conduct in or out of the Club premises shall in their opinion, be prejudicial to the Conservative cause, or to the characters or interests of the Club; and any member guilty of conduct likely to endanger the welfare, unanimity or good order of the Club, or whose political opinions or actions are found to be inconsistent with the Rules shall be expelled by the Committee.
- (b) The Secretary or Officers shall be empowered to order the immediate withdrawal of any member whose conduct on the Club premises is in conflict with the Rules of the Club, and who, after warning, persists therein. The matter must be reported to the Committee at a meeting, which must be held within seven days of the committal of the alleged offence. Such member shall have no right of re-entry to the Club premises until summoned to appear before the Committee.
  - (c ) In all cases other than as provided for in paragraph





(d) of this rule, any complaint against a member shall be considered by the Committee at their next regular meeting held in accordance with Rule 22, and the Committee shall be empowered to enquire the member concerned to withdraw from the facilities of membership upon receipt of the notice summoning the member to appear before them until the date of the meeting to which he/she shall be summoned.

(d) If the Committee are of the opinion that the complaint or complaints do not warrant them summoning he/she to appear before them, the member in question must be immediately notified to this effect and shall be free to resume the rights as a member.

- (e) If the Committee are of the opinion that the complaint or complaints does warrant them summoning he/she to appear before them, at least seven clear day's notice in writing shall be given by the Secretary to the member being so summoned, and the notice shall contain a statement detailing the complaint or complaints bought against the member.
- (f) No member shall be reprimanded, suspended or expelled without being first summoned before the Committee and full opportunity afforded to defend himself/herself, nor unless a majority of at least two-third of the Committee then present vote for the member being reprimanded, suspended or expelled. The Committee's decision shall be final. Should the member fail to appear before the Committee having given no prior reasonable explanation, the case can proceed and be dealt with by the Committee in the member's absence.
- 32. The Committee, or any officer authorised by them in writing, shall have power to give orders to tradesman and others for goods and other things necessary for carrying out the purpose of the Club prior to an order being given, the







Secretary should be advised to confirm expenditure at the next Committee meeting but nothing in this rule shall empower the Committee, or any officer authorised by them to incur expenditure except such as is consistent with the purposes for which the Club is established.

No claim will be recognised or paid for any work done or for any goods supplied to the Club, without an order from the Committee, or from any officer authorised by them.

Members of the Club shall be entitled to contract with the Club for supply by them of goods and services, other than the audit of the Clubs accounts, but shall not participate in any discussion or vote upon any motion relative thereto, either at a Committee meeting or a General Meeting.

# ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

33. Every candidate for office shall be proposed and seconded by two members of at least twelve months standing, entitled to vote. The current subscription must have been paid and he/she must have been a member for the previous two years, and not be less that 21 years of age.

No one may serve on the Committee where they have a spouse/current partner as a serving employee.

The Committee are expected to play an active role in the running of the Club and its activities. This will include unsocial hours.

34. Each member of the Club shall have one vote for each vacancy, and no member shall give any more than one vote to any candidate.





- 35. At least three weeks prior to the appointed for the commencement of the ballot, a notice shall be posted on the Club Notice Board by the Secretary, inviting the nominations of candidates for the office of Committee Member or Officer of the Club. The notice shall remain so posted for ten days.
- 36. The names of all candidates for office in the Club, together with the names of their proposers and seconders shall be entered on a nomination sheet which shall be posted on the Club Notice Board seven clear days before the day appointed for the commencement of the ballot and shall remain so posted until the result of the ballot has been declared.

#### 37.

- (a) The Annual General Meeting shall appoint minimum three scrutineers to carry out the ballot under their direction, and the result of the ballot shall be declared by them to the officer in charge of the Election. The Committee reserve the right to appoint own scrutineers on the evening in the event of insufficient volunteers. No member may serve as a scrutineer for successive years.
- (b). In case of a tie between two or more candidates, the names of such candidates shall be written on pieces of paper, which shall be placed in a receptacle, from which the Officer i.e. Election shall draw as many names as there are vacancies to be filled.

The name thus drawn shall be declared duly elected.

- (c). No member may be nominated for more than two offices.
- (d). If a member is elected for two offices, he/she shall choose which office he/she wishes to fill.





The vacancy thus arising shall be filled by the unsuccessful candidate with the highest number of votes, but if there shall be no such candidate, the office shall be filled by the method prescribed in Rule 39.

38. Ballot shall be effected following the Annual General Meeting.

#### **CASUAL VACANCIES**

39. Any casual vacancies, except vacancies occasioned by remove under Rule 41, occurring amongst the Officers (other than Trustees), and Committee Members shall be filled up by the Committee, who shall appoint a person to fill the office. Any person so appointed shall retain office so long as the vacating Officer or Committee Member would have retained the same if no vacancy had occurred.

#### RESIGNATION OF THE COMMITTEE

40. In the event of the whole Committee resigning at any time, the Secretary shall obtain nominations during the following three days, and a ballot shall be held within seven days of such resignation for the election of a new Committee.

The result of the ballot shall be declared at a Special General Meeting called by the Secretary within ten days of such resignation.

The time and notice required for nominations under Rule 36 and for Special General Meetings under Rule 47, shall not apply in this case.





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## REMOVAL OF COMMITTEE AND ELECTION OF NEW COMMITTEE

41. The Committee, or any member or members thereof, may be removed by a majority of three fourths of the members of the Club present and voting at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose.

The elections of a new Committee or any member or members thereof shall take place in the manner prescribed in the previous Rule upon resignation of the Committee.

# APPOINTMENT AND DUTIES OF THE ACCOUNTANT/AUDITOR

42.

- (a) The members at the Annual General Meeting, shall elect an auditor who publicly carries on the business of an accountant to audit the accounts for the ensuring year.
- (b) The auditor, shall audit the accounts and for that purpose shall have access to all books of the Clubs.
- (c) He shall examine the accounts and the receipts and expenditure, funds and effects of the Club, and shall verify the same as with the vouchers relating thereto, and either sign the same as found by him to be correct and duly vouched, or shall report in what respects he finds them incorrect or unvouched.
  - (d) No member of the Club shall be an auditor.





#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- 43. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in the month of February on a day to be fixed by the Committee.
- 44. Notice of such Annual General Meeting shall be posted on the Club Notice Board for at least fourteen clear days before the date appointed for the Meeting.

The Agenda for the Annual General Meeting shall be posted on the Club Notice Board for at least seven clear days before the date appointed for the Meeting.

No business other than that specified in the Agenda shall be transacted at the Meeting.

A copy of the balance sheet and income and expenditure account for the year, with the report of the auditor, shall be posted on the Club Notice Board at least seven days before the Annual General Meeting.

45. At the Annual General Meeting a statement of affairs, the balance sheet, income and expenditure account and report of the auditor shall be presented.

#### SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

- 46. The Secretary shall summon Special General Meetings as follows:
  - (a) In accordance with Rule 40.
  - (b) At the direction of the Committee.
- (c) Upon a request forwarded to the Secretary, signed by one-fifth of the members or 30 members, whichever is the less, stating the objects of such meeting, in accordance with Rule 47. Disciplinary matters and the internal management of the Club,







being decisions solely of the Committee, are excluded.

Meeting summoned under the provisions (b) and (c) above shall be held within not less than fourteen days and not more than twenty-one days from the date of the receipt of the request by the Secretary.

- 47. Notice of any Special General Meeting, and of the object for which is called, shall be posted on the Club Notice Board a clear fourteen days before the date appointed for such meeting (except in the case of a Special General Meeting called under Rules 40 and 41) and no other business except that for which meeting has been convened shall be brought before a Special General Meeting.
- 48. At a Special General Meeting one fifth of the members, or 30 members, whichever is the less, shall form a quorum.

No want of quorum occurring after the Chairman has opened the meeting shall make the meeting incompetent to transact business.

#### **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETINGS**

49. Any Annual General or Special General Meeting may be adjourned to such time as a majority shall decide, but no business other than that which could have been transacted at the original meeting shall be brought forward at such adjourned meeting.







#### RESCISSION OF RESOLUTIONS

50. No resolution passed at an Annual General or Special General Meeting shall be rescinded unless notice of the intention to propose such a rescission shall have been given to the Secretary at least twenty-one days before the date appointed for the subsequent Annual General or Special General Meeting.

#### VOTING

51. At all General Meetings every member present shall have one vote on each resolution.

#### **VISITORS**

- 52. Every member shall be permitted to introduce a maximum of two friends as visitors; but the same visitor shall not be admitted more than four times within a period of one calendar month, unless special consent be obtained from the Committee. The Committee reserves the right to refuse the admission of any visitor if in their opinion it is desirable in the interests of the Club. Overseas visitors can be made temporary members on application to the Committee.
- 53. The names of the visitor and of the member by whom introduced shall be written in the Visitors' Book kept for that purpose and printed.







- 54. Visitors are permitted to purchase intoxicating drinks on the same basis as members.
- 55. No person who has been expelled, from this or any other Conservative Club affiliated to or inter-affiliated with the Association of Conservative Clubs Limited, or who, at the request of the Committee, has resigned his membership, or who, having been a candidate for election, has been rejected, or who is indebted to the Club (see rule 15) shall be admitted as a visitor.

The Committee may suspend Rule 52 at any time for such period as they may think fit.

#### **FUNCTIONS**

- 56. Not withstanding anything herein before mentioned, intoxicating liquor may be supplied during the hours specified in Rule 59 to members and non-members of the Club attending at the Club premises when functions are authorised by the Committee of Management. Provided that:
- (a) Such function is a function of a Conservative Club or Association, or  $\,$
- (b) Such function is promoted by and the responsibility of a member of the Club who is present at the function, or
- (c) Such other function not being provided for by paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) hereof limited to 12 functions in any one year.
- 57. No betting, drunkenness, bad language or disorderly conduct shall be permitted on the Club premises.

Any infringement of this Rule will render the member offending liable to be dealt with by the Committee under Rule 31.





It shall be the duty of any member of the Committee or member of the Club to take every available means for putting a stop to offences in question, and to report them forthwith to the Committee through the Secretary.

#### HOURS OF OPENING AND CLOSING PREMISES

58. The Club premises shall open to the members during such hours as may be determined from time to time by the Committee and exhibited on the Club Notice Board.

#### **HOURS OF SUPPLY**

59. The permitted hours of supply of intoxicating liquor and for the qualifying activities to take place shall be at such times as the Committee may determine, subject to the terms and conditions specified in the Club Premises Certificate granted to the Club under the provisions of the Licensing Act 2003.

Provided that if an order is made under section 60, subsections (3) or (4) of the said Act, section 62(2) shall apply.

#### **EXCISABLE ARTICLES**

60. Intoxicating liquor required for consumption off the premises shall be supplied to members only whilst on the Club premises, and taken away by them from the premises during the registered hours of supply. Any member who contravenes or attempts to contravene this Rule shall be dealt with under Rule 31.







61. The proceeds of the supply of excisable refreshments shall be carried to the credit of the Club funds and no individual servant or other person shall derive any advantage from the supply thereof.

#### APPLICATION OF SURPLUS

62. Any surplus of the Club shall be applied in such manner as the Committee consider best in the interest of the Club, and in furtherance of the objects for which the Club is formed, provided that no surplus shall be distributed among the members.

Any surplus on dissolution of the Club shall be dealt with as provided in Rule 26.

#### AMENDMENT OF RULES

63. Any Rule of the Club not hereinafter declared to be fundamental may be rescinded or amended or any new Rule may be a resolution carried by three-fourths of the vote given thereon at any Special General Meeting of which notice has been given specifying the intention to propose such a rescission, amendment or new Rule.

Rules 1, 3, 26, 61 and this Rule are hereby declared to be fundamental and shall not be rescinded or amended, except with the prior consent in writing of the Association of the Conservative Clubs Limited and by a resolution carried by three-fourths of the votes given thereon at a Special General Meeting as provided in this Rule.

Propositions for amendments for Rules must be submitted in writing to the Committee one month prior to the date of such Meeting, and shall be posted on the Club Notice Board as least





fourteen days before the Meeting. No proposition shall be taken into consideration unless supported by forty members who shall attach their signatures to such a notice.

Written notice of any new Rule or amendment of Rules must be given by the Secretary to the Chief of Police and to the Clerk to the local Authority within 28 days of the adoption thereof.

#### DISSOLUTION

64. The Club may be dissolved by the consent of three-fourths of the members present and voting at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose, in strict accordance with Rule 26.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

65. In these Rules, including this Rule, unless the subject matter or context are inconsistent therewith:

(a) words importing the singular or plural shall include the plural or singular respectively.

(b) Unless the contrary intention appears, words denoting the masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine.







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#### Refreshments

 Such refreshments, and at such tariff as the Committee may determine, shall be supplied to the members notwithstanding non-excisable refreshments, may be supplied by a servant duly authorised by the Committee to do so at his expense and from which he shall derive any benefit.

#### Members' Payment

2. All members must pay every expense they incur in the Club before they leave the premises.

#### Complaints

All complaints or suggestions shall be made in writing to the Secretary.

#### Conduct of Servants

4. (a) The conduct of a servant shall be in no instance be made a matter of personal reprimand by anyone other than the Secretary of the Club.

All complaints against servants, or in regard to domestic arrangements of the Club shall by anyone other than the Secretary be addressed to him in writing and he shall submit the same for determination by the Committee.

(b) No members shall give any money or gratuity to the servants of the Club upon any pretence whatever. Bar tips, till recorded, expected.

#### Bills, Notices, etc

No bill, notice, placard, or newspaper, shall be posted or distributed on or about the Club premises without the permission of the Committee or some person authorised by them.





#### Books, Papers, etc.

6. All books, papers, or pamphlets written or printed shall be stamped with the Club stamp before being placed in the Clubrooms, and no books, papers or pamphlets shall be admitted into the Club without the sanction of the Committee or the Secretary.

#### Petitions

7. No Committeeperson or Officer of the Club shall sign any petition or document on behalf of the Club, relating to matters not immediately connected with the management of the Club, without the express sanction of the Committee.

#### Property

- (a) Any person damaging the furniture or other property of the Club shall make good the same to the satisfaction of the Committee.
- (b) No member shall on any pretence take away, injure or destroy any newspaper, pamphlet, book or article in the property of the Club.
- (c) The Committee will take no responsibility for members' property left in the Club or car park.

#### Dogs

No dogs shall be allowed on the Club premises (except Guide Dogs for the Blind).

#### Confidence

10. Any committeeperson committing a breach of confidence by speaking about business taking place in Committee to any other than a committeeman shall be expelled from the Committee.





#### Dress in the Club

11. Dress at all times: Members and Visitors are expected to be reasonably and cleanly dressed. The wearing of overalls, and any clothing with slogans, advertising or writing visible which is offensive. is not permissible.

#### Alteration of Bye-Laws

12. These Bye-Laws shall not be altered without the approval of members at a Special General Meeting, but the Committee may at any time add thereto by the issue of new Bye-Laws.

#### Exhibition of Rules and Bye-Laws

13. A copy of these Rules and Bye-Laws shall at all times be exhibited in a prominent position on the Club premises.







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