
RAINFORD RANGERS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

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FA Charter Standard Club

CONSTITUTION

1. TITLE

The Club shall be called "Rainford Rangers Junior Football Club".

2. AIMS AND OBJECTS

The main purposes of the club are to provide facilities for and to promote participation in the amateur sport of football.

3. MEMBERSHIP

a) Playing Membership

Membership of the club shall be open to anyone interested in the sport on application regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs. All members registered as players of the club in accordance with Football Association Rules, shall be members of the Club. Playing members are not eligible to vote at General Meetings.

b) Ordinary Membership

Parents or guardians of registered players of the club, parents or guardians of former registered players of the club, team managers and their assistants shall, in accordance with rule 4, be ordinary members of the Club. Ordinary members shall be allowed to attend General Meetings and to cast votes at such meetings provided they have been a member for the 6 months preceding.

4. SUBSCRIPTIONS

a) Annual subscriptions of playing members shall be decided by the Annual General Meeting.

b) Weekly subscriptions of playing members will be decided by the team manager of their respective teams; such subscription to cover necessary weekly expenses of league or cup matches and/or training.

c) Annual subscription of ordinary members will be decided by the Committee. Those members who are also team managers or their assistants will be exempted from subscriptions.

d) All annual subscriptions shall be paid to the Secretary on or before August 1st of each year.

5. LIST OF MEMBERS

The Secretary shall keep a record of all playing members and ordinary members and their addresses. Every member shall, within one month, give notice to the Secretary of any change in his/her address.

6. CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Members shall cease to be members:-

a) By failing to pay their annual subscription within one month of the due date.

b) By resignation in writing, addressed to the Committee.

c) By expulsion.



7. AFFILIATIONS

The Club shall affiliate to the Liverpool County Football Association and/or the Lancashire County Football Association. The Club may also, at any time, affiliate to District Leagues within the areas that the membership live. The Club shall, by affiliating to any association or league, accept the rules of those associations or leagues until such time as the Club will no longer be a member. The Club shall be represented at meetings of leagues or associations by the Secretary and/or any other person appointed by the Committee and will report back any items affecting the Club to the next Committee meeting.

8. EQUITY

The Club means that in all our activities we will not discriminate or in any way treat anyone less favourably, on grounds of sex, sexual orientation, race, nationality, ethnic origin, colour, religion or disability

9. PUBLIC LIABILITY

The Club will at all times provide adequate Public Liability insurance. This will be applied for when applying for affiliation with Liverpool County FA.

10. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The officers of the Club shall consist of Trustees, Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary and shall collectively be called 'The Executive'. Such officers (with the exception of the Trustees) shall retire annually but shall be eligible for re-election. Only ordinary members may stand for election to the Executive. No person shall hold the dual position of Treasurer and Secretary without the written consent of the Liverpool County Football Association and/or the Lancashire County Football Association. The duties of the Executive Officers shall be as follows:-

a) Chairperson

The Chairperson will preside over monthly committee meetings and General Meetings of the Club. In the absence of the Chairperson a member of the committee will be elected Chairperson for the duration of the Chairperson's absence and will assume his/her duties. Where disputes arise and a vote is taken the Chairperson may have a deliberative casting vote.

b) Treasurer

The Treasurer shall keep the accounts of the Club. All monies shall be paid to him/her and a receipt issued for the same. He/ she shall bank such monies in the name of the Club but shall be allowed to keep in hand such sums of money he/she may consider necessary to cover current expenses. He/she may make payments by cash for which he/she is entitled to some form of receipt, money order or crossed cheque as deemed fit. All cheques in the name of the Club shall bear 2 (two) signatures, namely that of the Treasurer and either of the Chairperson or Secretary. He/she shall submit the account books for audit as soon as possible at the end of the financial year and also submit a duly audited balance sheet to the Annual General Meeting. On being given 3 (three) days notice in writing, he/she may be called upon to produce a financial statement at any meeting.

c) Secretary

The Secretary, in addition to Rule 5, shall keep a record of all business transacted by and/or on behalf of the Club, deal with all correspondence and give notification of all meetings in such manner as may be approved by the members. He/she shall produce minutes of all meetings of the Club. He/she, in consultation with the Chairperson, shall prepare an agenda for each meeting.

d) Trustees

The Trustees shall be elected by the Committee. There shall be no less than 2 (two) and no more than 4 (four) Trustees at any time. The Trustees shall hold office until death, resignation or removal by resolution of the Committee. The property of the Club (other than cash which shall be under the control of the Treasurer) shall be vested in them. They shall deal with the property of the Club as directed by resolution of the committee (of which an entry in the minute book will be conclusive evidence) and they shall be indemnified against risk and expense out of Club property.

11. COMMITTEE

The committee shall govern the affairs of the Club and shall consist of the Executive and a number of ordinary members to be decided at each Annual General Meeting. Only ordinary members may stand for election to the committee. Each member of the committee shall have voting rights. The committee shall meet on a monthly basis to be decided at the first meeting following the Annual General Meeting. A quorum of the committee shall consist of one quarter of the total number of committee members. No meeting shall proceed without a quorum. The committee shall



have the power to fill any vacancy caused by a committee member ceasing to be a member of the committee. The committee has the power to delegate any matter to a sub-committee.

12. ELECTIONS

Elections to all posts shall be by nomination, in writing, by an individual proposer and an individual seconder or can be made in the name of the committee and must be received by the Secretary not less than 7 (seven) days prior to the committee meeting preceding the Annual General Meeting. The permission, in writing, of the nominee must have been given before any nomination is submitted. Only ordinary members are eligible for election to the Executive or committee. Where a post is contested, election will be by secret ballot and the Chairperson will appoint two scrutineers from the floor to conduct such.

13. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of Club members shall be in July of each year. Notice of alterations to the rules or to the constitution and/or notices of motion for the Annual General Meeting shall be sent to the Secretary, in writing, at least 7 (seven) days prior to the committee meeting preceding the Annual General Meeting and shall include the names of the proposer and seconder. Members shall be notified, in writing, of proposed Executive and committee members and any notices of motion or of proposed changes to the rules or constitution, together with an agenda, at least 7 (seven) days before such meeting. All Executive officers, with the exception of the Trustees, will present annual reports to the meeting. Voting at Annual General Meetings on changes to the rules and/or constitution or on motions submitted will be by show of hands and a simple majority will prevail.

14. EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

An extra-ordinary meeting shall be called by the Secretary at any time provided that:-

a) A written request has been received stating the object of the meeting and signed by not less than one third of the ordinary members or a majority of the full committee.

b) The notice calling such an extra-ordinary meeting specifies the business to be transacted thereat.

Only business specified in the notice of extra-ordinary General Meeting may be dealt with. An extra-ordinary meeting shall have the power to remove any, or all, of the Executive and all vacancies occurring through such removal may be filled at that meeting. Any such vacancy filled shall be valid until the next Annual General Meeting.

15. DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS

a) The committee shall have the power to reprimand, suspend or expel any member who shall infringe any rule or whose conduct, whether within or without the Club, shall, in their opinion, render him/her unfit for membership.

b) No ordinary member shall be reprimanded, suspended or expelled without first being summoned before the committee to explain his/her conduct and opportunity given to advance a defence.

c) Team managers shall have the power to reprimand or suspend (but not expel) any playing member of their team whose conduct, whether within or without the Club, shall, in his/her opinion, render such player unfit for membership of that team. Any suspension so imposed by a team manager shall last until the next committee meeting. There shall be no right of appeal against such suspension. Should a team manager deem it necessary to impose a longer suspension than to the next committee meeting, then the playing member (or his parent or guardian) may appeal, providing such appeal is made in writing to the committee setting down the reasons for appeal. Should an appeal be made the team manager shall provide a written report, giving his/her reasons for imposing such suspension. All appeals shall be heard by the committee (who shall have regard to rule 13(a)) and their decision shall be final.

d) All decisions to reprimand, suspend or expel any member shall be communicated to that member, in writing, within 3 (three) days of such decision by, in the case of ordinary members, the Secretary, and in the case of playing members, by the team manager, and shall be in the name and on behalf of the committee.

e) Any appeal, in writing, against decisions of team managers to suspend playing members shall not be heard unless received within 7 (seven) days of receiving notification of suspension.

16. NON-DISTRIBUTION TO MEMBERS

All surplus income or profits are re-invested in the club. No surpluses or assets will be distributed to members or third parties.



17. APPLICATION OF ASSETS ON DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the club any remaining assets shall be given or transferred to another CASC, a registered charity or the sport's governing body

18. POWERS OF ADJUDICATION

The committee shall, at any time, have the power to adjudicate on any matter not provided for in these rules.

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