



THE WELLENSIAN ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

Name:

The name of the Association shall be "The Wellensian Association"

Objects:

The objects of the Association shall be:

- a) to enable former members of Wells Cathedral School to keep in touch with the activities and achievements of the School;
- b) to provide a medium through which former members of the School can keep in touch with each other;
- c) to support the School in the furtherance of its aims and objectives.

Members:

Membership is open to former pupils of the School and other persons proposed and subsequently approved by the Committee.

Subscriptions:

Every member shall pay a subscription which shall be charged on the School fees subject to the approval of the School Governors and the Committee.

Officers and Committee:

The Association's Officers shall be:

- a) President
- b) a number of Vice-Presidents
- c) Chairman
- d) Vice-Chairman
- e) Honorary Secretary
- f) Honorary Treasurer

The management of the Association shall be conducted by a Committee of not less than 6 members comprising:

- a) Chairman
- b) Vice-Chairman
- c) Honorary Secretary
- d) Honorary Treasurer
- e) Three other members

- f) Head of the School (ex officio)
- g) Bursar of the School (ex officio)
- h) Head Boy (ex officio)
- i) Head Girl (ex officio)

The Officers with the exception of the Vice-Presidents, and the Committee shall retire at the Annual General Meeting, but shall be eligible for re-election. Nominations for election other than re-election shall be made in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least 14 days in advance of the Annual General Meeting. Five members shall constitute a quorum of whom two shall be Officers.

The Committee shall have authority to co-opt members.

General Meetings:

- a) An Annual General Meeting shall be held within three months of the end of the financial year. 21 days notice of the meeting shall be given. The notice shall include the Agenda of the meeting, comprising:
 - i. Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and matters arising.
 - ii. Presentation of audited accounts for the past financial year.
 - iii. Chairman's report.
 - iv. Election of Officers and Committee.
- b) Special General Meetings shall be called within 28 days of a written request to the Honorary Secretary signed by not less than ten members. Fourteen days notice shall be given.

Funds:

The funds of the Association shall be managed by the Committee in the name of the Association. Authorised signatories shall be the Honorary Treasurer and one other Officer. The financial year shall end 30th April.

Audit:

An Honorary Auditor shall be appointed at an Annual general Meeting to audit the accounts.

Termination of Membership:

The Committee may terminate the membership of a member.

Matters not provided for:

Any matter not provided for in these rules shall be dealt with by the Committee at its discretion.

Changes to the Constitution:

The Constitution of the Association may be changed, after notice, at the Annual General Meeting; a two thirds (2/3) majority of members present will be required to effect such a change.

The last changes to this Constitution were authorised by the Annual General Meeting held on 30th June 2012.