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1) CLUB NAME

The Club shall be called "Terenure College Rugby Football Club" and shall be referred to in these rules as "The Club".

2) OBJECT OF THE CLUB

The principal object of The Club shall be the playing, promotion and development of the game of Rugby Union Football.

In furtherance of the principal object, the Club shall also facilitate:

- The provision and development of sports and social facilities for the community.
- The availability of facilities for other sports
- The health and fitness of Members and the local community.
- The preservation of the environment within which the Club is situated.

3) REGISTERED ADDRESS

The Registered Address of The Club is "Lakelands" Greenlea Grove, Terenure, Dublin 6W.

4) CLUB COLOURS

The colours of The Club shall be purple, black and white striped jerseys and stockings and black shorts or as deemed appropriate by the Management Committee. Members representing The Club must play in complete Club colours.

5) PATRON OF THE CLUB

The Very Rev. Father Prior for the time being of Terenure College shall be patron of The Club.

6) MEMBERS

The Club shall consist of Life, Honorary, Senior Citizens, Student, Under20, Playing Representative Members, Playing Members, and Club Members all hereinafter called "Ordinary Members".

The Membership of The Club shall be open to:

a. All members of the Carmelite Province in Ireland who, on application, will be deemed to be Honorary Members; and,
b. Such other persons who shall be elected by the Management Committee as Ordinary Members.

All applications for membership shall be proposed by an Ordinary Member and seconded by an Ordinary Member of The Club and such nominations may be accepted or rejected by the Management Committee.

All persons who play for the Club or who practice or train or otherwise use the members' facilities of The Club shall be deemed Ordinary Members of The Club pending completion of the application and election procedures as defined in Rule 6.

"Playing Representative Membership" recognises Terenure College club players who gain senior provincial or national representative honours while eligible for playing for or affiliated to Terenure College RFC.

Player can be nominated for this special membership category by Rugby Committee and the awarding of the Playing Representative Membership will be at the discretion of the club's Management Committee.

Subscriptions will be waived for this membership category while the player continues to hold membership for Terenure College RFC and represent his or her province or country at senior level.

7) USE OF INCOME AND PROPERTY OF THE CLUB

The income and property of the Club shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the object(s) as set forth in this Constitution. No portion of the Club's income and property shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to members of the Club. No officer shall be appointed to any office of the Club paid by salary or fees, or receive any remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth from the Club. However, nothing shall prevent any payment in good faith by the Club of:

a) reasonable and proper remuneration to any member or servant of the Club (not being an Officer) for any services rendered to the Club duly approved by the Management Committee;

b) interest at a rate not exceeding 1% above the Euro Interbank Offered Rate (Euribor) per annum on money lent by an officer or other members of the Club to the Club, or as duly approved by the Trustees where such loan is provided in association with a registered bank;

c) reasonable and proper rent for premises demised and let by any member of the Club (including any officer) to the Club duly approved by the Trustees;

d) reasonable and proper out-of-pocket expenses incurred by any officer in connection with their attendance to any matter affecting the Club duly approved by the Management Committee;

e) fees, remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth to any Company of which an officer may be a member holding not more than one hundredth part of the issued capital of such Company;

Nothing in the foregoing shall prevent The Club from purchasing necessary goods or services from a member or from a Company in which an officer holds more than hundredth part of the issued share capital of such a company at a cost deemed to be equal to or lower than the market price for such goods or services.

In any case where any such payment becomes due for services rendered or goods supplied, the Officer shall declare his or her interest before the awarding of the contract or the purchase of goods and take no part in the awarding of the contract or the purchase.

8) BANK ACCOUNTS OF THE CLUB

The funds of The Club shall be lodged in whatever Bank(s) the Management Committee may decide, in the name of "Terenure College Rugby Football Club" and all cheques and or instructions on (these) Account(s) shall be signed in the name of Terenure College R.F.C. by Officers of The Club, as appointed be the Management Committee.

9) KEEPING OF ACCOUNTS

Annual accounts shall be kept and made available to Revenue on request in accordance with Statutory Regulations. Where the gross annual income exceeds €250,000 the accounts will be audited.

10) FINANCIAL YEAR OF THE CLUB

The Financial Year of The Club shall be the Period commencing 1st May and ending 30th April following.

11) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

The Management Committee shall convene two Annual General Meetings each year. The quorum for the annual general meetings shall be 20 ordinary members.

The purpose of the first Annual General Meeting, to be held after the close of the season, shall be:

a. to elect Officers, the Trustees, and members of the management committee
b. to consider the adoption of the Honorary Secretary's report, and the Rugby Committee report,
c. to consider Resolutions (other than those referred to at Rule 34) of which the appropriate notice in writing, in accordance with Rule 13, shall be given to the Honorary Secretary, and;
d. to transact any other business

The purpose of the second Annual General meeting to be held in September or October, shall be:

a. to consider the adoption of the Honorary Treasurer's report, and to approve audited Club accounts; and,
b. to transact any other business

No person shall be entitled to attend or vote at any General Meeting if he or she is not a Member with a fully paid subscription.

12) SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

A Special General Meeting of the Members of The Club may be convened at any time, either by the Management Committee or by a written requisition to the Hon. Secretary, signed by not fewer than twenty Ordinary Members of The Club and stating the object of the proposed Meeting.

The Hon. Secretary shall call the Special General Meeting within 14 days of the receipt by him or her of such requisition, by placing a copy of such requisition on The Club Notice Board and on a generally accessible electronic Club Notice Board.

The Hon. Secretary shall notify each Member, in writing, 14 days in advance of the time and place fixed the holding of such meeting and of the purpose of the meeting. No other business shall be discussed at such Meeting.

13) NOTICE OF AND FOR GENERAL MEETINGS

21 days' notice shall be given to members prior to the convening of the Annual General Meeting.

14 days' notice shall be given to members prior to the convening of a Special General Meeting.

Such notice to members may be conveyed in electronic form or by Notice placed on The Club Notice Board and on a generally accessible electronic Club Notice Board.

Any Resolution or Nomination to be an Officer of The Club, proposed by the Management Committee shall form part of the Notice to Members convening the Annual or Special General Meeting.

Any Resolution or Nomination as an Officer of The Club that requires the proposal of two Ordinary Members to be placed before the Annual General Meeting must be received the Hon Sec at least 7 clear days prior to the holding of the AGM.

Any Resolution or Nomination as an Officer of The Club to be placed before the Annual General Meeting that requires the proposal of more than two Ordinary Members must be received by the Hon Sec at least 10 clear days prior to the holding of the AGM.

14) TRUSTEES OF THE CLUB

The property of The Club shall be vested in three Trustees who are hereby indemnified by the members of The Club against any claim or demand in respect of any liability properly incurred on behalf of The Club. The Trustees shall be elected annually at a General Meeting of the Club.

The Management Committee shall propose the names of the Trustees to the Annual General Meeting. In the case of any proposal for the position of Trustee, other than from the Management Committee, 10 days' notice must be given in writing to the Honorary Secretary, not fewer than twenty Ordinary Members shall sign any such nomination. At least one trustee must be a former president of the club and one other Trustee a former elected Officer of the Club.

The Trustees may, when authorised to do so by the Management Committee, guarantee on behalf of the Club the repayment of money (including interest thereon) advanced by Banks to The Club or to a member of The Club to enable him to pay money due or promised to him by The Club. The giving of any such guarantee, which shall be binding on The Club, shall be authorised by a Resolution to the Management Committee and a Copy of the Resolution, signed by the Chairman of the Management Committee Meeting at which time the Resolution was adopted, shall be sent to the Trustees and to the Banks.

15) OFFICERS OF THE CLUB

The financial affairs and administration of The Club shall be under the management of the Officers who are authorised by the Members to appoint a Chairman whose duties and responsibilities shall be as directed by the Officers of The Club. The Officers of The Club may delegate some or all of their duties to the Management Committee but shall retain responsibility for the financial affairs and administration of The Club. Any Chairman appointed under the terms of this Rule shall be deemed to be an Honorary Member of The Club during his or her term of office.

The Officers of the Club shall be The President, The Vice-Presidents, The Honorary Secretary and the Hon. Treasurer.

16) PRESIDENTS AND VICE PRESIDENTS

The Senior Vice-President shall fill the office of President and shall take office at the Annual General Meeting.

The seniority of the Vice-President shall be decided by the years of service as Vice-President. In the event of a tie, the seniority will be agreed by the Officers of the Club at the first meeting of the new Committee.

The Vice-Presidents from the out-going season shall be deemed to be automatically elected and shall not have to offer themselves for re-election.

The new President shall propose the incoming Vice-President(s) at the Annual General Meeting. In the case of any proposal, other than that of the President, for the position of Vice-President, 10 days' notice must be given in writing to the Honorary Secretary. Any such nomination shall be proposed and seconded by not fewer than twenty Ordinary Members of the Club.

17) HONORARY SECRETARY

The Hon. Secretary shall, at the Annual General Meeting of The Club, present a Report of the affairs of the Club since the previous Annual General Meeting.

The Hon. Secretary shall:

i. Convene all Annual General and Special Meetings of the Members of the Club;
ii. Convene all Meetings of the Club Management Committees;
iii. Attend at such Meetings and take Minutes of the proceedings;
iv. Correspond with Members and others on all matters connected with The

Club excepting such as are under control of the Hon. Treasurer;

v. Recommend procedures for the proper administration of the affairs of the Club to the Management Committee

vi. Keep a Club register showing the name and address of each Member. It shall be the responsibility of each Member to inform the Honorary Secretary of their current address.

The Hon. Secretary shall be a Member ex-officio of all Committees, other than selection committees.

18) HONORARY TREASURER

The Hon. Treasurer shall keep correct Accounts and Books showing the financial affairs and receipts and disbursements of The Club, and shall furnish the Management Committee with particulars of same from time to time as may be required.

The Honorary Treasurer shall present a Report and Statement of Accounts to the Annual General Meeting, the latter shall be duly audited by Registered Auditors who shall be appointed by decision of the Management Committee. The auditors appointed shall not be members of the Club. When necessary, the Management Committee, with the approval of the Auditors, may defer the presentation of the Statements of Accounts until a later date.

19) COUNCIL OF THE CLUB

A Council shall be formed, the members of which shall be the three Trustees, the Chairman of the Management Committee and the Honorary Secretary. The Council shall meet at least twice annually or more often if necessary, and shall be responsible for the medium/long-term planning of the Club. It may adjudicate on any matters referred to it by the Management Committee who may request the Council to meet.

The Council shall propose the Club Captain at the A.G.M.

20) COMMITTEES OF THE CLUB

a. Management Committee

The Officers of the Club shall delegate the management of the general affairs of the Club to the Management Committee comprising:

The Chairman, the President, The Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer, a Vice-President, two elected members from the Annual General Meeting, the member of the Community of Terenure College nominated by the Prior, the member appointed by the Management Committee to be the Club Delegate to the Leinster Branch I.R.F.U. - who shall be a member ex- Officio and the Chairman of the Rugby Committee or his representative and the Captain of the Club.

b. Rugby Committee

The Rugby affairs of the Club shall be administered by the Rugby Committee whose members shall be:-

- Three members of the Club, nominated by the Management Committee.

- The Chairman of the Rugby Committee shall be appointed by the Council.
- A Vice President and the Club Captain shall each be a member of the Rugby Committee.

c. Development Committee

- The Development Committee shall have power to establish a Company for the purposes of undertaking the Development of the Club Facilities if a proposal for such purposes is approved by the Council of the Club.

- The Development Committee shall have authority to conduct fundraising activities for the purposes of undertaking the development of the Club Facilities. Any funds raised in this manner in the name of the Club shall be accounted within the Annual Accounts of the Club and presented to the Annual General Meeting, subject to the satisfaction of the Honorary Treasurer of the Club.

- The Development Committee shall have power to utilise the records of Club members maintained by the Club for the purposes of undertaking fundraising for the Development of the Club Facilities.

- The Development Committee shall have power to establish a Bank Account in connection with fundraising for the purposes of undertaking the Development of the Club Facilities. The Development Committee shall ensure that at all times the Honorary Treasurer is fully informed as to the operation of said bank account and that authorisation to operate the Bank Account includes the Honorary Treasurer at all times.

- The Development Committee shall have power to make decisions on behalf of the Management Committee for the purposes of undertaking the Development of the Club Facilities.

- The Development Committee shall have power to correspond with the Revenue Commissioners on behalf of the Management Committee regarding tax relief on Donations for the purposes of undertaking the Development of the Club Facilities.

- The Development Committee shall have power to enter into contracts on behalf of the Management Committee for the purposes of undertaking the Development of the Club Facilities.

21) COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AND MEETINGS

Elected Members of the Management Committee shall hold office until the next ensuing Annual General Meeting.

The Management Committee and the Rugby Committee shall have power to co-opt additional members.

The Management Committee shall hold periodical meetings at such times and places as the Management Committee may determine from time to time.

The Rugby Committee shall hold periodic meetings at least once a month, as the Chairman shall determine.

The Chairman and President shall be ex-officio members of all Committees excluding selection committees.

22) QUORUM FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Five members of the Management Committee shall form a Quorum. Presence of a member of the Management Committee by electronic means is acceptable to form a quorum.
Three members of the Rugby Committee shall form a Quorum.

23) APPOINTMENT OF CLUB DELEGATE TO LEINSTER BRANCH

The elected Officers of the Club shall, following the Annual General Meeting, nominate one of the Ordinary Members to be the Club Delegate on the Management Committee of the Leinster Branch of the I.R.F.U. Such person shall be a member of the Management Committee ex-officio.

24) POWER TO APPOINT SUB-COMMITTEES

The Management Committee shall appoint a sub-Committee composed of the five most recent former Presidents, the purpose of which is to recommend suitable candidate(s) for the office of Vice-President. This sub-Committee shall have the power to interview any members, or take any factors into consideration, before arriving at their recommendation.

The Management Committee shall have power to appoint any other sub- Committee it considers appropriate for the purposes of the management or administration of any aspect of the Club affairs. Any Sub-Committee thus appointed remains subject to the authority of the Management Committee.

The Rugby Committee shall have power to appoint sub-Committees, pertaining directly to the Rugby matters of the Club. Any Sub-Committee thus appointed remains subject to the authority of the Rugby Committee.

25) POWER TO ELECT HONORARY MEMBERS

The Management Committee shall have power to elect as honorary members those of the Ordinary Members who shall have rendered signal service to the Club.

26) POWER TO EMPLOY PERSONS

The Management Committee shall have power to employ persons for the purposes of the proper discharge of their responsibility to manage and administer the affairs of the Club. The Laws of the Republic of Ireland shall regulate all such employment.

27) POWER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS

The Management Committee shall have, subject to the approval of the Trustees, power to enter into contracts appropriate to the proper administration and management of the Club.

28) POWER TO FILL VACANCIES

The Management Committee shall have the power to fill, from the General Body of the Ordinary Members, any vacancies other than in Trustees, which may occur in its Membership before the Annual General Meeting. All persons so appointed shall hold Office until the next ensuing Annual General Meeting.

29) REGULATION OF CONDUCT OF MEMBERS

If any member shall, in the opinion of the Management Committee, be guilty of conduct likely to endanger the welfare or good order of the Club, the Management Committee, after giving such Member an opportunity of being heard may, by two-thirds majority of those present and voting, suspend such Member for such period as the Management Committee may think fit, or expel such Member, whereupon he or she shall immediately cease to be a Member of The Club and shall forfeit all rights to or claim upon The Club or its property, but shall be entitled to have his or her subscription for the current year returned.

While a member is under suspension or expulsion, no other Member of the Club shall be entitled to invite him or her onto the Club premises as his or her guest.

30) POWER TO MAKE BYE LAWS

The Management Committee shall have the power to make such Bye-laws and regulations in relation to the Membership, financial or business affairs of The Club, as they think fit not inconsistent with these Rules.

The Rugby Committee shall have the power to make regulations in relation to the Rugby affairs of the Club as they think fit consistent with the Rules of The Club.

31) POWERS OF THE RUGBY COMMITTEE

i. The outgoing Rugby Committee shall nominate the Captain of the Club to the Council. The Council shall propose the Club Captain at the A.G.M. In the case of any other proposal, 10 days notice must be given in writing to the Hon. Secretary. Not fewer than ten Ordinary Members shall sign any such nomination.
ii. The Rugby Committee will nominate a panel of coaches for all Club teams. The Rugby Committee will appoint the Coach for all Club teams, subject only to the satisfactory negotiation by the Management Committee of remuneration for appointee who is to be remunerated and employed under contract.
iii. The Rugby Committee will select a Chairman of Selectors who will be an ex-officio Member of the Rugby Committee. The Chairman of the Selectors shall have a vote in the selection of each team from Junior 2 to Junior 7. In his or her absence, the Rugby Committee may nominate an assistant Chairman of Selectors with equal powers of selection.

iv. The Junior 1 team will be selected by a group of four comprising of the Captain and Coach of the Junior 1 team and the Coach of the 1st Team and the Chairman of Selectors. The Junior 2 team will be selected by the group of three, comprising of the Captain and Coach of the Junior 2 team and the Chairman of Selectors or one of his nominated Selectors.

v. The Club teams from Junior 3 to Junior 8 will be selected by a group of selectors nominated by the Rugby Committee. In the selection of each team, the nominated Captain and Coach of the team will have one vote each with the Captain retaining a casting vote in the event of a tie.

vi. The under 20 XV will be selected by the Captain of the U20 team, the coach and manager of the team, as nominated by the Rugby Committee.

32) ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

The Management Committee shall have the power to propose to the members of the Club at the Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose, the setting of the rate of the:

- Annual Subscription
- Special Subscription (if any)

All annual subscriptions and special subscriptions shall become payable not later than September 30th each year.

The Management Committee shall have the power to request direct debit payments for all subscriptions.

The Management Committee shall have the power to remove from membership of the Club any person whose annual subscription and/or special subscription is in arrears after October 31st. On subsequent payment of subscriptions, however, the person may be re-admitted at the discretion of the Management Committee. In the case of new members the subscription must be paid not later than two weeks after election.

Playing members in all categories will not be eligible for selection after October 31st if their annual subscription and/or special subscription is in arrears.

33) DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

All members may be required to contribute to a Club Development Scheme if such a Scheme is approved at an Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose and the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting has so directed.

For the purposes of a Club Development Scheme, the Management Committee of the Club shall appoint a Board of Referees. The role of the Board of Referees shall be to adjudicate on applications by members for relief from a Club Development Scheme. Relief from contributions to any Development Scheme may be sought by a member who shall apply for such relief to the Board of Referees. The Board shall communicate its decision to each individual applicant. Such communication shall be privileged and confidential.

Any member who, not having been granted relief by the Board of Referees, does not contribute within the period allowed by the Management Committee may have his or her membership

withdrawn by a majority decision of the Management Committee, after such member has been given an opportunity of being heard; such withdrawal to be effective from the day following the last day of the Official Season laid down by the Leinster Branch of the I.R.F.U.

34) THE REGISTRATION OF CLUBS ACTS 1904-2000 INTOXICATING LIQUOR ACTS

34.1 The Clubhouse shall be opened for the use of Members on Sundays as on weekdays; but the opening of the bar for the sale and supply of excisable liquors shall be subject to the provisions of the Registration of clubs Acts 1904-1999 and the Licensing Acts 1922-2000 as amended or extended.

34.2 No one who is not a Member, Honorary Member or Temporary Member shall order or pay for refreshment in the Clubhouse.

34.3 No member of any Committee or the Management Council and no Manager or servant employed in the Club shall have any personal interest in the sale of excisable liquors therein or in the profits arising from such sale.

34.4 A visitor shall not be supplied with excisable liquor in the club premises unless on the invitation and in the company of a member and that member shall, upon the admission of such visitor to the Club premises, or immediately upon his/her being supplied with such liquor, enter his/her own name and the name and address of the visitor in a book which shall be kept for the purpose and which shall show the date of each visit.

34.5 No excisable liquor shall be sold or supplied by the Club to any person under the age of 18 years. No person under the age of 18 years will be allowed into the licensed area of the Club after 8.00 p.m. However, a child who is accompanied by his/her parent or guardian may be allowed in to the licensed area between the hours of 10.00 a.m. (12.30 p.m. On Sunday) and 8.00 p.m. A child who is aged at least 15 years but under the age of 18 years and who is accompanied by his/her parent or guardian may be allowed into the licensed area of the Club on the occasion of a private function at which a substantial meal is served to persons attending the function.

34.6 No excisable liquor shall be sold for consumption outside the premises of the Club except to members of the Club, between the hours of 8 O'clock in the morning and 10 O'clock at night.

34.7 (i) Subject to the exceptions mentioned in Sub-Sections 2 and 3 of Section 56 of the Intoxicating Liquor Act 1927 as amended by Section 6 of the Intoxicating Liquor Act 1962, no excisable liquor shall be supplied for Consumption on the Club premises to any person (other than a member of the Club lodging in the Club premises) or be consumed on the Club premises by any person (other than a member of the Club lodging in the Club premises):

a. On any weekday before the hour of half past 10 0'clock in the morning or;
b. On any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday after the hour of half past 11 o'clock in the evening or;
c. On any Friday or Saturday after the hour of half past 12 0'clock in the morning on the following day or;
d. On any Sunday (except St. Patrick's Day which falls on a Sunday) before the hour of half past 12 0'clock in the afternoon or after the hour of 11 0'clock in the evening or;
e. On St Patrick's Day before the hour of half past 12 0'clock in the afternoon or

after the hour of half past 12 0'clock in the morning on the following day or;

f. On Christmas Eve before the hour of half past 10 o'clock in the morning or after the hour of half past 11 0'clock in the evening or;
g. At any time on Christmas Day.
h. The hours specified in paragraph (b) of subsection (i) in respect of any day specified in that paragraph are in addition to the period between midnight and 12.30 a.m on that day where that period is included in the hours so specified in respect of the eve of that day.

(ii) Public Holiday has the meaning given to it by the Organisation of Working Time Act, 1977.

34.8 Nothing contained in the Registration of Clubs Acts 1904 to 1999 or imposed only by virtue of the operation of Rule 34 of this constitution shall operate to prohibit the supplying for consumption on the club premises of excisable liquor to any person for the consumption of excisable liquor on those premises by any person:

- On Christmas Day between 12 0'clock midday and 10 0'clock in the evening, or;
- On any other day for one hour after the expiration of an period in respect of that day during which it is lawful for the club by virtue of Rule 34 of this constitution to supply any excisable liquor for consumption on the Club premises, if in each case the excisable liquor is:

- Ordered by that person at the same time as a substantial meal is ordered by him.
- Consumed at the same time as with the meal.
- Supplied and consumed in the portion of the club premises usually set aside for the
- supply of meals.
- Paid for at the same time as the meal is paid for.

34.9 The Management Committee may alter or add to such Rule or Rules dealing with the supply or consumption of excisable liquor for the purpose of complying with the Licensing Laws for the time being in force, or for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of the members in accordance with such laws.

34.10 n addition to the foregoing Rules and clauses thereof the Clauses and Regulations embodied in the Registration of Clubs Acts 1904-1986 and the Acts extending and amending the same shall be deemed Rules of the Club.

35) ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS OR AMENDMENTS

No additions, alterations or amendments shall be made to these rules save as stated in Rule 36, except at a General Meeting and carried by a majority of two-thirds of those Members present and voting.

Any additions, alterations or amendments passed at a special general meeting shall only become effective at the next Annual General Meeting, provided those changes have taken place at least 30 days prior to the AGM.

At least fourteen days' notice of such additions, alterations or amendments shall be given in writing to the Hon. Secretary.

No addition, alteration or amendment shall be made to the provisions of the object(s) clause, the income and property clause, the winding up clause, the keeping of accounts clause or this clause of the Constitution for the time being in force unless the same shall have been previously approved in writing by the Revenue Commissioners.

Notice Period must be consistent with rights of Members.

36) ALTERATIONS TO ACCORD WITH LICENCING LAWS

The Management Committee may alter or add to such Rule or Rules as may from time to time deal with the consumption of excisable liquor for the purpose of complying with Licencing Laws for the time being in force, or for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of the Members in accordance with the laws.

37) INTERPRETATION OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CLUB

The use of the words "him" or "his" within these Rules shall be interpreted as "her" or "hers" as appropriate for female members of the Club and shall not be deemed discriminatory in such contexts. The Management Committee shall be sole authority for the interpretation of the Rules and Regulations of the Club.

Application for election as a Member and subsequent election of the candidate shall be deemed to be acceptance of the Rules, which shall be binding on all Members.

38) WINDING UP OF THE CLUB

If upon the winding up or dissolution of the Club there remains, after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, it shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Club.

Instead, such property shall be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions having objects similar to the main objects of the Club. The institution or institutions to which the property is to be given or transferred shall prohibit the distribution of their income and property among their members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on the Club under or by virtue of Rule 7 hereof.

Members of the Club shall select the relevant institution or institutions at or before the time of dissolution, and if and so far as effect cannot be given to such provisions, then such property shall be given or transferred to Whitefriars Ltd (registered charity number 200009656) so long as it remains a registered charity, and in the event Whitefriars Ltd ceases to be a registered charity, to such alternative charitable order as may be selected by the members.

Final accounts will be prepared and submitted that will include a section that identifies and values any assets transferred along with the details of the recipients and the terms of the transfer.