

Fourth Revision of the Rules of the Woldingham Garden Village Residents' Association and Club

8 May 2022

1. The Association is to be known as "The Woldingham Garden Village Residents' Association and Club."
2. The objects of the Association shall be as follows :-
 - a) To protect rights and interests of the Residents as a whole
 - b) To deal with the District and County Councils or any other bodies in matters affecting the welfare and interest of any of the Residents
 - c) To promote social and cultural activities
 - d) To liaise with the Committee of Management in matters concerning the Peace Centre Charity
3. There shall be two classes of membership, namely Resident and Social Membership.
 - a) Every candidate for Resident membership shall reside within the area of Woldingham Garden Village and shall be eighteen years or over
 - b) Social Membership is open to persons outside the residential area, and shall be restricted in numbers to no more than 50% of the Resident Membership
 - c) Candidates for membership shall be elected by the Committee at its sole discretion.
4. The membership subscription shall be £30.00 per household per annum payable on the 1st March each year. Households with a single resident over the age of eighteen shall have a reduced subscription of £15.00 per household. The Committee shall have the power to review and alter these subscription rates as and when they consider necessary.
5. Any Resident Member shall be entitled to attend a General Meeting and vote providing his or her subscription for the current year is paid.
6. A Resident Member may vote by proxy providing written authority naming the proxy voter is given to The Committee 24 hours before the meeting at which the proxy vote is to be used
7. The committee shall consist of an Honorary Secretary, an Honorary Treasurer, and up to seven other members. The number required to form a quorum shall be 4.
8. The Treasurer, Secretary and up to seven other members to be elected at the Annual General Meeting to form a Committee. The Chairman to be appointed at the first Committee Meeting following each Annual General Meeting.
9. All members of the Committee shall retire annually at the Annual General Meeting, but shall be eligible for reelection, with the exception that a Committee Member who has served for 3 consecutive years must retire and may only stand for the following year if there would be insufficient candidates for a post without the candidacy of such long-serving members of the committee.
10. The Committee shall elect 4 Representative Members to the "Committee of Management" for the purpose of dealing with any business arising between the Association and the Charity Commissioners in conjunction with the 3 "Elected Members" of the Garden Village (Woldingham) Peace Centre.
11. Nominations for the Committee must be in the hands of the Secretary 7 days before the Annual General Meeting. Only at the discretion of the Committee may late nominations be accepted. Notice of any motion to be submitted at the Annual General Meeting shall be communicated to the Secretary 7 days before such a meeting and the Secretary shall communicate such motions to the Resident Members.
12. The Committee may invite anyone to attend Committee Meetings to give expert or professional advice, but these people may not become Committee Members, vote or speak on any subject, other than the one on which they were invited to comment.
13. The Committee may fill up to 2 vacancies occurring during the year, the people so appointed to retire with the rest of the Committee at the following Annual General Meeting.
14. 14 days notice shall be given of all General Meetings. At these meetings a third of the Resident Membership shall form a quorum.

15. Annual General Meetings shall be held in the month of April or as close thereto as practical and shall not be more than 15 months apart.
16. The Committee may at any time, for any special purpose, call a Special General Meeting and this General Meeting must be called within 21 days upon written request of not less than 12 members. No other matter than that for which the meeting has been called may be discussed, except at the discretion of the Chairman.
17. The members shall appoint an Auditor at each year's Annual General Meeting to act for the ensuing year.
18. Members may invite any number of friends to attend any social or cultural functions run by the Association, but the said Members will be held personally responsible for the behaviour of anybody introduced by them.
19. Any Member breaking the Association's Rules, behaving in an unseemly manner at any event organised by the Association, or acting in any way detrimental to the interests of the Association may be asked by the Committee to show reason why their resignation should not be requested.
20. The Committee shall have the right to grant reduced rates of membership subscription and entrance fees to any of the Association's functions, on any occasion which they see fit.
21. Any agreements, cheques, payments etc, shall be approved by at least two members of the Committee.
22. Any if these Rules may be altered by the Members at a General Meeting provided that:
 - a) 14 days notice is given of the meeting specifying details of the proposed alterations
 - b) Two thirds of the Resident Members present (including proxy votes) vote in favour of the alterations
23. No person shall at any time be entitled to receive at the expense of the Association or any Member thereof any commission, percentage, or similar payment on or with reference to purchase of intoxicating liquor by the Association, nor shall any person directly or indirectly derive any pecuniary benefit from the apply of intoxicating liquor by or on behalf of the Association to Members or guests, apart from any benefit accruing to the Association as a whole, and apart also from any benefit which a person derives indirectly by reason of the apply giving rise to, or contributing to a general gain from carrying on of the Association.
24. The purchase for the Association, and the supply by the Association of intoxicating liquor shall be in the absolute discretion of the Committee or a Sub-committee of not less than 3 Committee Members, appointed by the Committee for that purpose. In the event of any Member for any reason ceasing to be a member of the Committee, he or she shall automatically cease to be a member of the Sub-committee and another member of the Committee shall be appointed in their place. Such a Sub-Committee shall in no way be restricted in freedom of purchase.
25. When the Association undertakes special functions, for example socials, dances, shows, there may be admitted to Associations Club premises person other than Members or their guests, and at the discretion of a Committee Member intoxicating liquor may be sold to such persons by and on behalf of the Association for consumption on the premises and not elsewhere.
26. No money or property of the Association, or any gain arising from the carrying on of the Association shall be applied otherwise than for the benefit of the Association as a whole or for some charitable or benevolent purpose chosen by a Resolution of a General Meeting.
27. The Associations Club premises shall be opened for club events and private hire at the sole discretion of the committee.
28. The permitted hours for the supply of intoxicating liquor shall be :-

Monday to Saturday	11:00am to 11:00pm
Sunday, Good Friday and Christmas Day	12:00noon to 2:00pm 7:00pm to 10:30pm