



RULES OF THE RAILWAY SECTION OF THE CIVIL SERVICE SPORTS COUNCIL HASTINGS

Title and Objectives

1. The name of the Club shall be Civil Service Railway Club (Hastings District), hereinafter referred to as the Club.
2. The objects of the Club shall be to provide facilities and encourage an interest in railways, both real and model, in Hastings and surrounding districts.

Membership

3. Membership of the Club shall be open to all members of the Civil Service Sports Council, their wives, husbands and families age 16 or over. Family Members under the age of 16 shall be admitted provided they are accompanied at all meetings by their parent or guardian who shall become a full member of the Club and shall be responsible for their behaviour, subject to payment of Club subscriptions and observance of Club rules.
4. Associated Membership shall be granted at the discretion of the Management Committee of the Area Council.

Subscription

5. The section subscription to be decided annually by the Club's Management Committee at the AGM. Visitors will be allowed subject to approval of the said Committee and a payment of a fee per visit fixed at the AGM. Members are automatically liable of a fee per visit fixed at the AGM. Members are automatically liable for Club subscriptions on completion of their third visit.

Management

6. The management of the Club shall be vested in the Officers and Committee of the Section.

Annual General Meeting

7. The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held during February each year, fourteen days clear notice being given to the membership. Notice convening such meetings shall be circulated individually to members by name and displayed on all official notice boards where members are housed and shall constitute good and sufficient notice. All motions for presentation to the Annual General Meeting must be submitted in writing and must reach the Secretary seven days before the meeting. Six members shall form a quorum. The meeting shall:-
 - (i) Elect the Officers of the Club (see Rule 10(i)).
 - (ii) Elect up to four independent members of the Committee (see Rule 10(ii)).
 - (iii) Elect two Auditors. They shall not be members of the Management Committee.
 - (iv) Receive and consider the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the preceding year.



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- (v) Consider, with the consent of those present, such other competent business as may be raised by members present.
- (vi) The election of one Member to sit on the Area Council Committee.

Special General Meeting

- 9. A Special General Meeting may be called either by the Management Committee or at the request of not less than six Club Members. In the case of the latter, six Members shall form a quorum. Fourteen days clear notice of such a meeting shall be given. Notice convening such meetings shall be the same as for the AGM at Rule 7. Only those matters for which the meeting has been called shall be discussed unless the Chairman shall exceptionally decide.

Management Committee

- 10. The Management Committee shall consist of:-
 - (i) The Officers of the Club as follows:-
 - Chairman
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - (ii) Up to 4 independent Members.
- 11. The Management Committee shall meet at least twice per year. Four members shall form a quorum.
- 12. The Management Committee shall exercise general financial control over the affairs of the Club.
- 13. The Management Committee shall have full and absolute powers for the control and conduct of the Club and may suspend or expel from Membership of the Club any individual Member, subject to the right of appeal by that individual Member to a General Meeting. The Secretary shall call a General Meeting within twenty eight days from the date of the receipt of the appeal.
- 14. The Management Committee shall have power to co-opt additional members for a special purpose and may fill any vacancy occurring among its number between General Meetings.
- 15. The Management Committee may, at its discretion, appoint such Sub-Committees as it may from time to time consider expedient from among its Members.

Finance

- 16. The Financial Year of the Club shall end on 31st December.



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17. All monies of the Club shall be held by the Treasurer who shall present audited accounts of the receipts and payments during the year to 31st December and of Liabilities and Assets at 31st December for inspection and approval of the Annual General Meeting.
18. The Auditors appointed by the Annual General Meeting shall have access at all times to the books and accounts of the Club.
19. Amendment to these Rules shall be made only at a General Meeting of the Club and shall require the assent of two thirds of those present at such meetings.
20. In the event of the name of the Club being changed, these Rules shall apply until such time as they shall be amended.
21. The Management Committee shall interpret these rules and decide any matter on which they are silent.

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