

Strathendrick Pipe Band Association

Constitution

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Strathendrick Pipe Band Association's Constitution and Rules as agreed at an Annual General Meeting held on 22/10/2018.

- 1. The object of the Pipe Band shall be to advance the arts, heritage and culture, specifically in the art and appreciation of bagpipe playing and drumming at all levels including the presentation of public performances and other related activities and in the furtherance thereof; and to encourage a kinship between band member's, relatives and friends.
- 2. For the purpose of administration, the Band Committee will manage the affairs of the Band.
- 3. The Band will strive to ensure that there is equal access for all those who wish to participate in its activities, in whatever capacity, and that no member or prospective member will be discriminated against on the grounds of social circumstances or background, gender, race, colour, ethnic origin, disability, sexuality, age, political beliefs or religion.
- 4. Membership of the Bands shall comprise of:
 - Band members hereafter referred to as full members. Full membership is confined to playing members of the Band who have been registered with the Band for a minimum of 3 months.
 - Relatives and friends, hereafter referred to as associate members. Associate membership is open to all persons interested in the Band; subject to approval of the Band Committee.
- 5. Full membership shall pay the appropriate minimum annual subscription which shall be agreed at the Annual General Meeting.
- 6. At the Annual General Meeting the following office bearers shall be elected;
 - Chairman
 - Vice Chairman
 - Secretary
 - Minute Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Quartermaster
 - Pipe Major.
 - Pipers' representative
 - Drummers' representative

Nominations for the above positions must be submitted to the Band Secretary in writing at least 14 days prior to the A.G.M.

7. Two members (full or associate) shall be appointed as Independent Examiners at the AGM.

- 8. Voting rights at the Annual General Meeting for the two grades of membership shall be as follows:
 - Only full members of the Band, the Band Committee of the Band and the Chairman shall have the right to vote on any matter relating to the Band and to the organisation of the Band.
 - No change to the voting rights can be made unless approved by the majority of the full members, Band Committee and Chairman.
- 9. The Annual General Meeting of the Band shall typically be held on the third or fourth Monday of October or on the nearest suitable date.
- 10. The Annual General Meeting shall receive and consider the report of the Treasurer and the balance sheet showing the financial position as at 30th September each year.
- 11. Any proposal to alter the Constitution or Rules must be submitted in writing to the Secretary at least fourteen (14) days prior to the AGM.
- 12. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be convened at any time by:
 - The Band Committee; or
 - A written request to the Secretary signed by a minimum of ten (10) full members.
- 13. The Band Committee will meet a minimum of once per quarter; five (5) committee members will constitute a quorum. Additional meeting will be arranged if any issues are raised that are deemed necessary to discuss. Regular electronic communications are in place for the committee and any relevant information will be passed onto the membership of the band.
- 14. Any matter which any member wishes brought to the attention of the Committee must be submitted to the Secretary and will be placed on the agenda for the next Committee meeting.
- 15. The Pipe Major shall have the power to censure any member of the Band guilty of conduct detrimental to the interests of the Band, and the Band Committee shall have the right to expel any such member. Any member who has been expelled or who has left the Band shall forfeit all claims whatsoever to the funds or property of the Band.
- 16. All Band members shall be held responsible for the tidiness and good order of their equipment and shall report any loss or damage immediately to the Quartermaster.
- 17. All engagements for the services of the Band shall be referred to the Chairman, Pipe Major and Secretary.

- 18. A Social Committee **may** be elected at the Annual General Meeting and a Social Convener appointed to lead this Committee.
- 19. Dissolution Clause. If on the winding up of the Strathendrick Pipe Band Association, any property remains after satisfaction of all the clubs debts and liabilities, such property shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the club; that property shall instead be:
 - Transferred to some other charity or charities (whether incorporated or unincorporated) whose objects are similar (wholly or in part) to the object of the club; or
 - Assets Lock; For the avoidance of doubt the income and property of the association shall be applied solely towards promoting the association's charitable objects

This constitution was adopted by our organisation on 22/10/2018 and signed by the undernoted Committee members on 22/10/2018.

Chairman Date	
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Secretary..... Date.....