

DOWNLEY COMMON PRESERVATION SOCIETY

RULES

1. The objects of the Society shall be to improve, protect, preserve and restore the outstanding natural beauty of Downley Common, and for this purpose and not otherwise the branch shall:-
 - a. Promote co-operation between the local authorities, local societies and other persons.
 - b. Organise concerted action, make representations at public enquiries and take such other lawful action as shall be calculated to promote the aforesaid objects.
2. The Society shall be of a non-political nature.
3. Membership of the Society shall be open to all members of the public who are willing to support the aims of the Society.
4. The Committee shall consist of the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and not more than seven active members, three of whom shall retire in rotation each year; but shall be eligible for re-election at the Annual General Meeting. Of these three, one shall be an officer.
5. The proceedings of all meetings of the Society shall be recorded in a Minute book to be kept by the Secretary. This book shall be the property of the Society.
6. All voting shall be by a show of hands.
7. The Chairman's decision shall be final on all points of order.
8. The Annual subscription from members shall be a minimum of twelve and a half pence.
9. The monies held by the Society shall be held in a bank account by the Treasurer, and all cheques or other monies shall be paid into this account. All cheques drawn on behalf of the Society shall be signed by any two or three officers.
10. In the event of a winding-up of the Society, any assets remaining after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities shall be distributed for charitable purposes only.
11. The financial year for the Society shall end on the last day of August.

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- 12. The Annual General Meeting shall be held within a period of six weeks after the end of the financial year.
- 13. A quorum at all Committee meetings shall consist of five members, and at the Annual General meeting, of twenty members. If these numbers are not present within twenty minutes of the time stated for any meeting, the meeting shall be adjourned until such time, date and place as the Chairman decides.
- 14. An auditor shall be appointed to audit the accounts, and he should not be a member of the Committee.

Resolution to adopt these rules passed by the Society on the fifth of May 1983

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Sheila Sinnatt - Chairman

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Richard Stretton - Secretary.