

CLUB CONSTITUTION

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Version No	Date	By	Amendments
7	1 st November 2017	CC	Inclusion of diversity clause 2.2.5 as required by ClubMark
6	13 th May 2017	CC	Renaming of the Club
5.1	16 th October 2008	MPW	Added the ClubMark accreditation logo and the Lottery Awards for all funding logo
5	6 th April 2008	MPW	Changed Paragraph 2.2.1, 2.2.2, 2.2.3, 2.2.5, added 2.2.6 and amended paragraph 2.3 following EGM to accept new resolutions following guidelines for ClubMark accreditation
4	1 st April 2007	MPW	Changed paragraph 4.2, 7.1, 9.9, 10.2 and 10.4 following EGM to accept new resolutions for compliance and Quorum proposal
3	31 st October 2005	MPW	Changed paragraph 2.2 to 2.3 and added new 2.2 for Club Mark Accreditation
2	October 2003	DA	Changed name to NPL Teddington Cricket Club
1	5 th September 2000	CBH	Original from Merger of NPLCC and Lensbury CC

1. Name and Colours

The name of the club shall be NPL Cricket Club, (the "Club").

The Club is a section within the NPL Sports Club (the "Sports Club") whose ground is located at the NPL

Sports Ground (the "Sports Ground"), Queens Road, Teddington, TW11 OEL

1.3. The Club Colours shall be blue.

2. Object and Affiliation

The object of the Club shall be to promote the game of cricket in accordance with the laws laid down by the M.C.C.

The aims and objectives of the club will be:

To offer coaching and competitive opportunities in cricket at all levels

To promote the club within the local community and within the sport

To ensure a duty of care to all members of the club by adopting and implementing the ECB's 'Safe Hands - Cricket Policy for Safeguarding Children' and any future versions of the policy.

To provide all its services in a way that is fair to everyone

To ensure that all present and future members receive fair and equal treatment by adopting the ECB 'Cricket Equity Policy' and any future versions of the policy. The ECB aims to ensure that no individuals (this includes players, spectators, coaches, officials and administrators) receive less favourable treatment on the grounds of their age, sex, disability, race, ethnic origin, gender, parental or marital status, pregnancy, religion or belief, class or socio-economic status, sexual orientation or political belief'

To ensure that all members, playing and non-playing abide by the ECB Code of Conduct which incorporates the spirit of cricket and by the Laws of Cricket.

2.3. The Club shall be affiliated to the England and Wales Cricket Board through the Middlesex Cricket Board and to the Club Cricket Conference.

3. Playing Season and Teams

The summer playing season, for games played at the Sports Ground, extends from the last Saturday in April until the third Sunday in September each year

The Club shall run teams in the appropriate divisions of the Thames Valley Cricket League and Social side(s) as appropriate

4. Membership

Every member of the Club shall be a member of the NPL Sports club. A copy of the club constitution shall be available to every member of the Club.

Applications for membership of the Club shall be submitted in writing to the Hon. Secretary.

Members must abide by the security and conduct rules as set out in the current version of the "Blue Book" of the Sports Club available in the pavilion.

Honorary life-membership of the Sports Club may be conferred on a member who has given long and

outstanding service to the Sports Club. The member concerned should be nominated by the Club to the Sports Club at least two meetings before the Sports Club AGM which has authority to confer this position.

5. Security

5.1. It is the responsibility of the Club members to obey security notices and to follow directions given by site security staff when asked to do so and to assist in ensuring that visitors to the site obey and follow such instructions.

6. Membership Subscriptions

6.1. All members shall pay the Club Membership Subscription. It is made up of two elements, the Social Subscription that is set each year by the Sports Club and which contributes towards the provision of the general facilities of the NPL Sports Club, and the Club Subscription which enables the club to meet its expenses and is set annually.

The Club Subscription may itself be made of two elements - an annual amount and a match fee set by agreement of the Club Committee. A special rate for Old Age Pensioners, Students, non-playing members and unemployed members may also be agreed.

Full membership of the club shall entitle the member to playing rights (subject to selection) and the facilities of the Club House and any Social activities or otherwise of the Sports Club.

Social Membership is available for non-players and/or family members. It entitles them to full access of the social facilities and functions of the Sports Club.

The Sports Club Membership subscription is due for payment by the end of May each year and is collected by the Hon. Treasurer of the Club who is responsible for the collection of membership subscriptions. The Hon. Treasurer of the Club is also responsible for notifying the Membership Secretary of the Sports Club of the active membership of the Club and passing on the social subscription element to the Hon. Treasurer of the Sports Club by the agreed times.

6.6. A membership card issued by the Sports Club will be deemed as receipt of payment of Membership Subscription and will run for one year.

7. Club Officers

7.1. The Officers of the Club shall consist of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Fixture Secretary, Hon. Match Secretary, and Club Welfare Officer

8. President and Vice-Presidents

A President may also be elected, normally for a period of up to 2 years, at the Annual General Meeting or the first General Meeting. Nominations for the President must be submitted in writing to the Hon. Secretary at least seven days before the General Meeting. The nomination must be signed by both the proposer and a seconder.

Vice-Presidents of the Club may be elected at the Annual General Meeting, or the first General Meeting. Vice-Presidents shall not be required to be elected annually. Nominations for Vice-Presidency shall be submitted in writing to the Hon. Secretary at least seven days before the Annual General Meeting. The nomination must be signed by both the proposer and a seconder.

9. Committee and Club Management

9.1. The management of the Club shall be entrusted to an elected committee consisting of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Fixture Secretary, and Hon. Match Secretary and the Team Captains.

Nominations for the officers and Team Captains may be submitted in writing signed by a proposer and seconder, who must be paid-up members of the Club, to the Hon. Secretary before the Annual General Meeting, or the first General Meeting. Nominations proposed and seconded may also be accepted at the Annual General Meeting.

One member of the Committee shall represent the Club on the Sports Club Committee.

Minutes of the Committee Meetings will be taken and will form the policy of the Club, in addition to those agreed at a General Meeting.

Six Members of the Committee will form a quorum

The committee shall have the power to:-

9.6.1. Form Sub Committees as necessary to help in the running of the Club events
Delegate any of their powers for particular purposes to a Sub-Committee.

Fill any Vacancy or co-opt any Member to the committee to enable the efficient running of the Club.

Approve the payment of any affiliation fees.

Each member of the Committee shall have one vote with the Chairman, or acting Chairman, having a casting vote in the event that the vote is equal. Members co-opted onto the committee shall have full voting powers.

The committee shall hold at least six committee meetings per year in order to maintain the efficient running of the club and to be able to report to and consider proposals from the Sports Club Committee.

In the event of the dissolution of the Club, available funds will be used to meet any obligations arising from agreements entered into by the Club. The Committee will dispose of any remaining funds for approved sporting or charitable purposes. Such purposes are the use by a sport's governing body for community sport, the purposes of a Community Amateur Sports Club or the purposes of a charity.

10. General Meetings

An Annual General Meeting shall be held each year for the purpose of receiving reports, the approval of the Club Accounts, holding elections for the forthcoming season, approving and changing the Club Constitution and the appointment of Auditors.

An Extraordinary General Meeting shall be called at any time either; at the request of the Committee; or by a written and signed request from at least one fifth (20%) of members of the Club, at the time of the request, or ten (10) members of the Club, whichever is the greater, addressed to the Hon. Secretary which specifies the business that they wish to be considered at the meeting. No business shall be conducted at the Extraordinary General Meeting other than that which is specified in the Notice of the Meeting or incidental to it.

At least 14 days written notice shall be given to members of any General Meeting.

A Quorum of at least one fifth (20%) of members of the Club at the time of the meeting being held, or ten (10) members of the Club, whichever is the greater, is required to hold an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General meeting.

Voting at General Meetings shall be confined to paid up members of the Club who are entitled to one vote on each motion. In the event that the votes cast for and against are equal the Chairman or acting Chairman, shall have a casting vote.

All motions put to a General Meeting, other than alterations to the constitution (see point 11.3) shall be considered carried if they obtain a majority of votes of those present and voting.

A copy of the accounts approved by a General Meeting shall be sent to the Hon. Treasurer of the Sports Club, along with a list of paid up members and a short report on the Club activities for the Sports Club's Annual report.

11. Alterations to the Club Constitution

The constitution may only be amended at a General Meeting.

Proposals to amend the constitution shall be circulated to members at least 14 days prior to such a general Meeting being held.

Any alteration to the constitution shall be deemed to have been carried if two thirds of those paid-up members present and voting vote in favour.

