

Askham Bryan Cricket Club Constitution

1. Name

The club will be called Askham Bryan Cricket Club and will be affiliated to *the Yorkshire Cricket Board and the England and Wales Cricket Board*.

2. Aims and objectives

The aims and objectives of the club will be:

- To offer cricket practise and competitive opportunities in cricket
- To promote the club within the local community and cricket
- To manage the cricket facilities of the club
- To ensure a duty of care to all members of the club.
- To provide all its services in a way that is fair to everyone
- To progress as a Cricket Club for the benefit of it members and community

3. Membership

To ensure all present and future members receive fair and equal treatment.

Membership should consist of officers and members of the club.

All members will be subject to the regulations of the constitution and by joining the club will be deemed to accept these regulations and codes of practice that the club has adopted.

4. Membership fees

Membership fees will be set annually and agreed by the Management Committee or determined at the Annual General Meeting.

Membership fees will be paid annually and match subscriptions on the day of the game.

Members who fall into arrears with subscription fees may become ineligible for selection until such time the arrears have been cleared or arrangements have been made to clear them.

All players must complete a club registration form and pay the club annual membership fee, if applicable, at the beginning of each season.

All outstanding fees must be cleared by the end of the season.

5. Officers of the club

The officers of the club will be:

- President. (Ex-officio)
- Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Child Welfare Officer
- Captain
- Vice Captain(s)

Officers except the President will be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting.

All officers will retire each year but will be eligible for re-appointment.

6. Committee

The club will be managed through the Management Committee consisting of:

- Chair, Club Captain, Club Vice Captain(s), Treasurer, Child Welfare Officer, Secretary

Only these posts will have the right to vote at meetings of the Management Committee.

- The Management Committee meetings will be convened by the Secretary of the club and held no less than 4 times per year.
- The quorum required for business to be agreed at Management Committee meetings will be 3 people.

- The Management Committee will be responsible for adopting new policy, codes of practice and rules that affect the organisation of the club.
- The Management Committee will have powers to appoint subcommittees as necessary and appoint advisers to the Management Committee as necessary to fulfil its business.
- The Management Committee will be responsible for disciplinary hearings of members who infringe the club rules/regulations/constitution. The Management Committee will be responsible for taking any action of suspension or discipline following such hearings.

7. Finance

All club monies will be banked in an account held in the name of the club.

The Club Treasurer will be responsible for the finances of the club.

The financial year of the club will end on 30 September each year.

A statement of annual accounts will be presented by the Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting.

Any cheques drawn against club funds should hold the signature of the Treasurer. Additional club officer(s) may also be eligible to sign upon agreement by the management committee.

8. Annual General Meetings

Notice of Annual General Meetings will be given by the Club Secretary. Not less than 14 clear days notice to be given to all members.

The AGM will receive a report from officers of the Management Committee and a statement of the accounts.

Nominations for officers of the Management Committee will be sent to the Secretary prior to the AGM. The Chairman may accept nominations on the night at his/her discretion, should the said nominees have sufficient support.

Elections of Officers and Management Committee members are to take place at the AGM.

Only club members, officers, officials and committee members have the right to vote at the AGM.

The quorum for AGMs will be six people.

The Management Committee has the right to call Extraordinary General Meetings (EGMs) outside the AGM. Procedures for EGMs will be the same as for the AGM except EGM's can be called at 5 days' notice.

9. Discipline and appeals

All concerns, allegations or reports of poor practice/abuse relating to the welfare of children and young people will be recorded and responded to swiftly and appropriately in accordance with the club's child protection policy and procedures. The club Child Welfare Officer is the lead contact for all members in the event of any child protection concerns.

All complaints regarding the behaviour of members should be presented and submitted in writing (including by email) to the Secretary.

The Management Committee will meet to hear complaints within 7 days of a complaint being lodged. The committee has the power to take appropriate disciplinary action including the termination of membership.

The outcome of a disciplinary hearing should be notified in writing to the person who lodged the complaint and the member against whom the complaint was made within 7 days of the hearing.

There will be the right of appeal to the Management Committee following disciplinary action being announced. The committee should consider the appeal within 7 days of the Secretary receiving the appeal.

10. Selection

Selection decisions for games are made by the Captain leading the team that week. The captain may consult other committee members as he or she wishes, but has the right to make the final decision on the team.

It is the duty of the Captain to contact club members about their availability to play matches and to ensure individuals are treated fairly with respect to selection, whilst taking into account the overall aims of the club.

It is the duty of the relevant Captain to announce the team and inform players if they have been selected or have been rested for the forthcoming game.

Any player failing to turn up for a game without giving the Captain or Vice Captain sufficient notice, will not be considered for selection for the next weekend, unless they give an acceptable reason for absence to the Selection Committee.

It is the responsibility of all players to make their Captain aware of their availability to play each week.

11. Dissolution

A resolution to dissolve the club can only be passed at an AGM or EGM through a majority vote of 75% the membership.

In the event of dissolution, any assets of the club that remain will become the property of a related club with similar interests, to be agreed at the AGM or EGM where the dissolution is agreed.

11. Amendments to the constitution

The constitution will only be changed through agreement by majority vote at an AGM or EGM.

12. Declaration

Askham Bryan Cricket Club hereby adopts and accepts this constitution as a current operating guide regulating the actions of members.

Signed: Ian Hall

Date: 20/11/17

Name: IAN HALL
Position: Club Chair

Signed: 

Date: 20/11/17

Name: JAMIE HOLLIDAY
Position: Club Secretary