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AVEBURY CRICKET CLUB

CONSTITUTION

1. Title

- 1.1 The Organisation shall be called Avebury Cricket Club hereafter to be referred to as "the Organisation" and shall be affiliated to the relevant National and Regional Governing Bodies.

2. Objectives

- 2.1 To foster and promote the sport of cricket at all levels in the parish of Avebury and the surrounding area, providing opportunities for recreation and competition for its members and for the broader community.
- 2.2 To provide facilities for the promotion of participation in sport in the parish of Avebury and the surrounding area.
- 2.3 The Organisation will be structured as an amateur, not-for-profit sports club, with any funds raised whether from membership subscriptions or other fundraising activities being deployed in furtherance of the objectives set out in paragraph 2.1 above. For the avoidance of any doubt, the Organisation will not be permitted to distribute any of its assets to Members or to third parties.
- 2.4 The Organisation will adhere to the governing principles, policies and guidelines issues by the governing body for the sport of cricket in England and Wales, the ECB. Specifically, the Organisation formally adopts the ECB's overall policy for safeguarding and protecting children in cricket, the ECB's "Safe Hands' Safeguarding and Protecting Children Policy Statement" as an Annexe to this document.
- 2.5 The Organisation formally adopts the ECB's Inclusion and Diversity Policy as an Annexe to this document.

3. Membership

- 3.1 In line with the above policies, Membership of the Organisation shall be open to any person, regardless of race, age, gender, sexual orientation or ability, who completes a membership application form and pays the relevant annual subscription fee as determined by the Annual General Meeting of the Organisation Members.
- 3.2 There shall be three of classes of adult membership and one category of junior membership available. These are:

Full Membership Categories
Adult Playing Membership

Young Adult Playing Membership
Non-Playing Adult Membership

Junior Membership Categories

Junior Membership (for persons under 18 years of age on the 30th of June of the relevant year)

4. Officers

4.1 The Officers of the Organisation (the "General Committee") shall be as follows:

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| President | <i>Non-Executive Officer</i> |
| Chairman | <i>Executive Officer</i> |
| Secretary | <i>Executive Officer</i> |
| Treasurer | <i>Executive Officer</i> |
| Child Welfare Officer | <i>Executive Officer</i> |

4.2 The title of Vice-President shall be bestowed upon existing or former members in recognition of their support of the Organisation and the furtherance of its objectives and persons recognised with this title shall not constitute any formal part of the General Committee of the Organisation as defined below.

5. Election of Officers

5.1 All Officers shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting of the Organisation, from, and by, the Members of the Organisation.

5.2 All Officers are elected for a period of one year, but may be re-elected to the same office or another office the following year without restriction.

6. General Committee

6.1 The affairs of the Organisation shall be controlled by a General Committee comprising the Executive Officers of the Organisation and two other Members elected from, and by, the Full Members of the Organisation. The General Committee shall meet at agreed intervals and not less than four times per year.

6.2 The duties of the General Committee shall be:

6.2.1 To control the affairs of the Organisation on behalf of the Members.

6.2.2 To keep accurate accounts of the finances of the Organisation through the Treasurer. These financial accounts should be available for reasonable inspection

by Members and should be prepared before every Annual General Meeting in respect of the prior year. The Organisation shall maintain a bank current account and the following Officers shall be authorised to sign Organisation cheques: two from the Chairman; President; Treasurer and Secretary.

- 6.2.3 To co-opt additional members of the Committee as the Committee feels is necessary and as required. Co-opted members shall not be entitled to a vote on the Committee.
- 6.2.4 To make decisions on the basis of a simple majority vote. In the case of equal votes, the Chairman shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.

7. General Meetings

- 7.1 The Annual General Meeting shall be held not later than the end of March each year. 14 clear days' written notice shall be given to Members of the Annual General Meeting by circulating a copy of the notice to every member at their home address or through a valid and active electronic account such as email. Members must advise the Secretary in writing of any business to be moved at the Annual General Meeting at least 7 days before a meeting. The Secretary shall circulate or give notice of the agenda for the meeting to Members not less than 14 days before the meeting.
- 7.2 The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be to:
 - 7.2.1 Confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and any General Meetings held since the last Annual General Meeting.
 - 7.2.2 Receive the financial accounts for the year from the Treasurer.
 - 7.2.3 Receive the annual report of the Committee from the Secretary.
 - 7.2.4 Elect an auditor or suitably qualified professional to conduct a review of the financial accounts of the Organisation.
 - 7.2.5 Elect the Officers of the Club i.e. President; Chairman; Secretary; Treasurer and other General Committee Members.
 - 7.2.6 Review membership subscription rates and agree them for the forthcoming year.
 - 7.2.7 Transact such other business received in writing by the Secretary from Members 14 days prior to the meeting and included on the agenda.

- 7.3 Special General Meetings may be convened by the General Committee or on receipt by the Secretary of a request in writing from not less than two Full Members of the Organisation. At least 7 days' notice of the meeting shall be given.
- 7.4 Nomination of candidates for election of Officers shall be made in writing to the Secretary at least 7 days in advance of the Annual General Meeting date. Nominations can only be made by Full Members and must be seconded by another Full Member.
- 7.5 At all General Meetings, the chair will be taken by the Chairman or, in their absence, by a deputy appointed by the Organisation or by Full Members attending the meeting.
- 7.6 Decisions made at a General Meeting shall be by a simple majority of votes from those Full Members attending the meeting. In the event of equal votes, the Chairman shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.
- 7.7 A quorum for a General Meeting shall be 8 Full Members and 3 Officers of the Organisation including 2 from the Chairman; Secretary and Treasurer.
- 7.8 Each Full Member of the Organisation shall be entitled to one vote at General Meetings.

8. Alterations to the Constitution

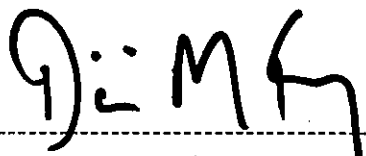
- 8.1 Any proposed alterations to the Organisation Constitution may only be considered at an Annual or Special General Meeting convened with the required written notice of the proposal.
- 8.2 Any alteration or amendment must be proposed by a Full Member of the Organisation and seconded by another Full Member. Such alterations shall be passed if supported by not less than two-thirds of those Full Members present at the meeting, assuming that a quorum has been achieved.

9. Dissolution

- 9.1 If, at any General Meeting of the Organisation, a resolution be passed calling for the dissolution of the Organisation, the Secretary shall immediately convene a Special General Meeting of the Organisation to be held not less than one month thereafter to discuss and vote on the resolution.

- 9.2 If, at that Special General Meeting, the resolution is carried by at least two-thirds of the Full Members present at the meeting, the General Committee shall thereupon, or at such date as shall have been specified in the resolution, proceed to realise the assets of the Organisation and discharge all debts and liabilities of the Organisation.
- 9.3 After discharging all debts and liabilities of the Organisation, the remaining assets shall **not** be paid or distributed amongst the Full Members of the Organisation, but shall be given or transferred to either a registered Community Amateur Sports Club, a registered sporting charity, or to the governing body for the sport of cricket in England, for the use by such organisation in community related sports.

AMENDED Wednesday 12th December 2018 AND SIGNED BY



DOMINIC FRY, Chairman



JAMES NEVE, TREASURER

Annexe

The "Safe Hands" Safeguarding and Protecting Children Policy Statement
ECB, June 2013

The ECB Inclusion and Policy Statement, previously adopted at our 2015 AGM.