

RULES OF THE SOCIETY

1. TITLE

The name of the Society shall be the BUXTON MUSICAL SOCIETY.

2. AIMS AND OBJECTS

The aims and objects of the Society shall be the study and practice of music, and the concert performance of standard musical works.

3. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

- a. The management of the Society shall be vested in a Committee consisting of the Chairman, Conductor, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer and seven other members of the Society, all of whom shall be elected by the members at the Annual General Meeting.
- b. The Committee shall remain in office for one year, and shall be eligible for re-election. Should a Committee member be absent from four consecutive Committee Meetings (without a satisfactory reason) the Committee have power to adopt a new member in his or her place for the remainder of the year.
- c. Nominations, duly proposed and seconded, to any office in the Society or membership of the Committee, to be in the hands of the Secretary at least three clear days before the date of the Annual General Meeting.

4. MEMBERSHIP

Every application for membership of the Society shall be submitted for approval to the Committee, and the applicant shall give such evidence of his or her musical ability as the Committee may from time to time require

All active members are expected to be regular in attendance at rehearsals and concerts, and to advise the Secretary of illness or other cause which may prevent attendance. The Committee may, from time to time make rules limiting attendance at concerts to those who have attended a minimum number of rehearsals.

Members are responsible for the return of music lent to them, and in the case of loss for the cost of replacement.

5. SUBSCRIPTION

The annual subscription payable by active members shall be determined by members in general meeting, the member undertaking to provide, if required, copies of the music selected from time to

time for study and rehearsal. The subscription is payable in advance, and is due for payment, as from the date of the Annual General Meeting.

6. FINANCE

- a. The Society may receive donations, grants in aid, or financial guarantees.
- b. The income and property of the Society whencesoever derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Society as set forth in its Rules, and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly, by way of dividend, bonus or by payment of a professional fee to any member or members of the Society.
- c. On the winding up of the Society any remaining assets shall be handed over to a Society or Association having similar aims and objects.

7. GENERAL MEETING

A General Meeting shall be held annually, of which fourteen days' notice at least shall be_ given to each member, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Committee, receiving and adopting the audited Financial Accounts, the ' appointment of Auditors, the election of the Committee, and any other relevant business placed on the Agenda by the Committee.

8. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

An Extraordinary General. Meeting shall be called by the Secretary, when directed by the committee, or on receipt of a requisition signed by at least one-third of the members, stating the object for which such a meeting is to be called. Fourteen days' notice at least of such meeting specifying the business proposed to be transacted shall be given by the Secretary to all members. No resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting shall be valid unless one-third of the members of the Society be present, and the resolution be passed by at least two-thirds of the members then present.

9. ALTERATION OF RULES

Notice of any proposed alteration in these Rules must be in the hands of the Secretary in time for inclusion on the Agenda of the Annual General Meeting, and the Secretary shall advise every member of such proposal at least fourteen days prior to the Annual General Meeting. A two-thirds majority of members present and voting is necessary for the passing of any such resolution.