

Loughborough and District Cycle Users' Campaign Rules

1. Name

The Group shall be known as the "Loughborough and District Cycle Users' Campaign".

2. Objects

- a) To promote cycling as a healthy, benign and efficient form of transport and leisure activity within Loughborough and the surrounding area.
- b) To campaign to increase the safety and amenity of cycling within Loughborough and the surrounding area.
- c) To secure whatever changes are necessary to allow cycle use to fulfil its true potential within Loughborough and the surrounding area.
- d) To co-operate with other bodies campaigning for things which would aid Objects a-c.

3. Political Independence

The Group shall not be affiliated to nor accept any affiliations from any political party.

4. Membership

a) Eligibility

Any person or organisation that upholds the objects of the Group shall be eligible for membership.

b) Categories of Membership

- i) Full members.
- ii) Household members i.e. persons sharing the same mailing address who shall qualify as Full members.
- iii) Affiliate members i.e. any person belonging to an affiliated organisation the aims of which are considered compatible with the objects of the Group by the Committee.

5. Subscriptions

- a) The annual subscription shall be changed only at an Annual General Meeting. The new subscription shall become operative immediately.
- b) Subscriptions shall be renewable on the anniversary of the date of the previous subscription payment.

6. Affiliations

The Group shall affiliate to such other bodies sharing common objectives as may be decided at a General Meeting.

7. Officers

The Officers of the Group shall be :-

Chair

Secretary

Treasurer

Membership Secretary

Publicity Officer

Newsletter Editor

Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. Only Full members shall be eligible for nomination.

8. Committee

- a) The Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Group and such other Full members as shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- b) The Committee shall have power to co-opt Full members to fill a vacant Office, to fill a Committee vacancy or for any reason as it shall see fit. Co-opted members of the Committee shall not be eligible to vote until confirmed at a General Meeting.
- c) At Meetings of the Committee, of which notice must have been given to all Committee members, 3 members shall constitute a quorum.
- d) The Committee may appoint sub Committees with powers to co-opt when appropriate.
- e) The Committee shall have power to make decisions for the benefit of the Group on matters not otherwise provided for in these rules.
- f) All Committee Meetings shall be open for members to observe.

9. Election of Officers and Committee

- a) Candidates for Office shall be nominated by 2 Full members.
- b) Candidates for the Committee shall be nominated by 2 Full members.
- c) If the number of nominations for an Office or to the Committee, duly proposed and seconded, shall exceed the number of vacancies, the election shall be by secret ballot. Tellers shall be appointed by open ballot of the Meeting.

10. General Meetings

- a) An Annual General Meeting shall be held each year in March on a day appointed by the Committee. At least 21 days notice of such a meeting shall be given.
- b) The Committee may, upon giving a minimum of 7 days notice, call a General Meeting of members for any specific business the nature of which shall be stated in the convening notice.
- c) The Committee shall call an Extraordinary General Meeting at the request of 10 Full members or 20% of members dependent on whichever is smaller. Twenty-one days notice of such a meeting and its Agenda shall be given within 30 days of receiving the request.
- d) The chair at General Meetings will be taken by the Chair but in their absence this

duty will pass to another member of the Committee, to be determined by a vote at the start of the Meeting.

- e) The quorum shall be 5 members or 10% of the membership, whichever is the smaller.

11. Amendments and Additions to the Rules

Notice of any proposed changes to the Rules intended to be proposed by any Full member at the Annual General Meeting shall be given to the Secretary in writing before the last day of January.

12. Voting at Meetings

- a) Changes to the Rules shall only be effective when supported by two thirds of Full members present.
- b) All other matters put to the vote shall be deemed carried when supported by a simple majority of those present and voting.
- c) The Chair shall have the casting vote if necessary.

13. Finance and Assets

- a) The financial year of the Group shall end on 31 January.
- b) The Treasurer shall present an independently checked statement of accounts to the Annual General Meeting.
- c) An account in the name of the Group shall be opened with a Bank or Building Society, as agreed by the Committee, who shall be authorised to make payments authorised by any two duly nominated Committee members.

14. Winding Up

In the event of the Group being wound up, any assets or funds remaining shall be passed to the Cyclists' Touring Club.