

LICKEY END SOCIAL CLUB

RULES

As adopted by the club members at a general meeting held on 23rd April 2023

NAME

1. The name of the club shall be Lickey End Social Club (hereinafter referred to as 'the Club').

OBJECT

2. The object of the Club is to promote social improvement and provide healthy pastimes and recreation for its members.

MEMBERSHIP

- 3 Applicants for membership must complete an application in such form as the Committee may decide.
4. Applications for membership shall be considered by the Committee and applicants shall be advised promptly whether or not their application has been successful. The Committee's decision is final and where an application is declined there is no right of appeal.
5. Joint membership is available for couples.
6. The Committee shall from time to time determine the level of annual membership subscriptions.
7. All membership subscriptions shall be paid in the month of February. Any member failing to pay the relevant subscription by the end of February shall be removed from membership. A member who is re-admitted in this way must also pay a re-joining fee of such amount as may be determined from time to time by the Committee.
8. Any member removed from membership under rule 7 who still wishes to be a member must re-apply for membership and the application will be considered in accordance with rule 4.
9. The Committee may at its discretion bestow free membership on a member for conspicuous service.
10. Membership of the Club shall be deemed to constitute consent to the holding of relevant personal data of members (subject to the requirements of data protection law) for the purpose of the administration of the Club.
11. All new members are subject to a probationary period of three months and the Committee reserves the right to terminate the membership of any new member during this period at the Committee's absolute discretion.
12. The Committee shall have power to reprimand, suspend from membership of the Club or expel from membership of the Club any member who is in any way in breach of any of these rules or whose conduct (whether within or outside of the Club premises) shall, in the reasonable opinion of the Committee, be prejudicial to the interests of the Club.
13. A member shall not be reprimanded, suspended from membership of the Club or expelled from membership of the Club without first being given notice of the complaint against them and invited to meet with the Committee (with at least 7 days' notice of such meeting). At such meeting the member shall be given the opportunity to respond to the complaint. The proposal to reprimand, suspend or expel must be approved by a majority of the Committee present at that meeting. The Committee's decision shall be final and there is no right of appeal. If a member fails to attend the

meeting with the Committee without having provided a reasonable explanation for their absence the Committee may proceed to make its decision in the member's absence.

MEMBERS' MEETINGS

14. The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held in April or at such other time as the Committee may decide provided that it shall take place no more than three months after the Club's financial year end. The Committee shall give a minimum of four weeks' notice of the Annual General Meeting to all members. Such notice shall be displayed within the Club building, via social media and on the Club's website.
15. The Treasurer will present to the Annual General Meeting audited accounts for the previous financial year. A copy of such accounts must be provided to each member at least three days before the date of the Annual General Meeting.
16. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at any time at the request of the Committee and must be called upon the request of at least 50 of the members served upon the Secretary. One week's notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting must be given to all members of the Club.

THE COMMITTEE

17. The affairs of the Club shall be managed by a Committee which shall be comprised of four or more members of the Club and shall include a President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary.
18. All members of the Committee shall be elected by the members of the Club at an Annual General Meeting save that where a casual vacancy arises between Annual General Meetings the Committee may fill the vacancy. A person appointed to fill a casual vacancy shall serve only until the next Annual General Meeting at which they may stand for election by the members.
19. One-third of the Committee shall retire annually and may offer themselves for re-election. Those to retire shall be those longest in office. Where more than one-third of the Committee have equal length of service then those to retire shall be decided by drawing lots.
20. A member is not eligible for election as a Committee Member unless they are aged at least eighteen years.
21. Committee meetings shall take place as determined by the Committee at intervals of no more than six weeks.
22. A Committee meeting may only proceed to business if a quorum is present. A quorum of the Committee shall be six members of the Committee.
23. A member of the Committee may be removed from office if they fail without good reason to attend six meetings of the Committee in any given calendar year and the Committee resolves by a simple majority that they should be removed from office.

GUESTS

24. A Club member may introduce guests and shall enter their names in the visitors' book. Failure to do so may lead to expulsion of the member.
25. A Club member is responsible at all times for the conduct of their guests whilst on Club premises.
26. A guest may not remain on the Club premises after the member introducing the guest has left the premises.

27. Members who have been suspended or expelled and persons whose applications for membership have been rejected shall not be introduced as guests except with the express consent of the Committee.

CLUB PREMISES

28. Legal title to the Club premises shall be vested in a minimum of three persons appointed by the Committee who shall hold the premises as trustees for the members of the Club.
29. The trustees of the Club premises must deal with the premises in accordance with the lawful instructions of the Committee.

GENERAL

30. The licensee shall at all times conform to the licensing laws governing registered clubs.
31. The licensing hours are 11am to 11pm Mondays to Saturdays and midday to 10:30pm on Sundays. The Club shall open within those hours as determined from time to time by the Committee. The Club may, at the discretion of the Committee, take advantage of the special hours for Bank Holidays that the licensing laws allow.
32. All games shall cease thirty minutes after the bar closes.
33. Non-members may attend the Club premises for the purpose of functions at the discretion of the Committee.
34. In accordance with the provision of Section 49 of the Licensing Act 1964 the Club shall be permitted to sell alcoholic beverages to persons other than members on the Club premises.
35. When such non-member functions are held to which the public are invited the Police shall have the same right of entry to the premises as if there was in force a full Justices Licence.
36. Children must be supervised by their parents or another responsible adult at all times.
37. Alcoholic beverages will not be served to anyone under the age of eighteen years and must not be purchased by other persons for them.
38. Any member entering the club in a state of intoxication shall be requested to leave by a member of staff or any Committee member.
39. No formal gambling or betting is allowed except for use of the Club's gaming machines.
40. The Club retains control of all audio, visual and digital equipment.
41. Any person damaging any property belonging to the Club (including but not limited to audio, visual and digital equipment and all gaming equipment) will be liable for its repair or replacement.
42. Any member having a suggestion or complaint must put it in writing to the Committee to be dealt with at the next Committee meeting.
42. The accounts for the Club shall be audited at least once a year by competent accountants appointed by the Committee.
44. The Committee shall have power to create byelaws relating to day-to-day operational matters of the Club provided that (i) such byelaws are not inconsistent with these rules and (ii) such byelaws and any amendments to them are promptly drawn to the attention of all members and the members in general meeting shall have the right to amend or repeal any byelaws.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES

45. Any amendment to these rules shall be made only by a majority vote of the members in general meeting and at least seven days' notice shall be given to all members of proposed amendments with a copy posted on the Club notice board.