



FOUNDED 1979

## **CANTERBURY EAGLES F.C.**

### **CLUB CONSTITUTION**

#### **1) AIMS**

This Club shall be known as Canterbury Eagles Football Club. The aims of the Club are the promotion and development of football, sportsmanship and discipline. The Club is committed to equality for all and will not tolerate discrimination in any form.

The Club will be duly affiliated to the Kent County Football Association and bound by its Constitution.

#### **2) OFFICERS**

The Officers of the Club shall be the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Child Welfare Officer, League Delegate, Fixture's Secretary's, Team Managers and Coaches. These Officers will form the Club's Management Committee. They will deal with business as it arises and except when otherwise mentioned, all communications must be addressed to the Club Secretary. The Club Secretary shall deal with the day to day management of the Club, deal with its correspondence and keep a record of its proceedings.

The Club may elect no more than three representatives from each team onto the Committee.

#### **3) POWERS OF THE MANAGEMENT**

Each member of the Management Committee shall be entitled to attend all Management Committee meetings and have one vote thereat. In the event of the voting being equal the Chairman shall have a second and casting vote.

The Management shall have the power to apply, act upon and enforce the rules of the Club and shall also have jurisdiction over all matters affecting the Club, including any not provided for by those rules.

All decisions of the Management Committee shall be binding subject to the right of appeal. No person shall be permitted to sit in during a meeting when a vote is being taken with regard to disciplinary action involving them or their team.

Five members of the Management Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business matters.

Vacancies within the Management Committee shall be filled at the A.G.M. The Management Committee may on the proposal of the Club Secretary have the power to fill any vacancies on a temporary basis throughout the year.

An extra-ordinary General meeting may be called by a majority decision of the Management Committee.

#### **4) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The A.G.M. shall be held no later than 30<sup>th</sup> May each year. At the meeting the following business shall be conducted.

- a) The minutes of the previous A.G.M. read, confirmed and any matters arising therefore dealt with.
- b) Presentation of the Annual reports and Statement of Accounts.
- c) Team Manager's Reports
- d) Constitution of the League for the forthcoming season.
- e) Election of Officers, Managers and Coaches.
- f) Election of teams to the League.
- g) Alteration of rules of which notice has been given
- h) Commencement and conclusion
- i) Other Business

An Agenda and a copy of the Statement of Accounts shall be made available at the commencement of the meeting.

Each paid up member of the Club shall be allowed one vote. No one under the age of 18 shall be allowed to vote and therefore that members vote is handed to their parent or guardian. Any family having more than one paid up member shall be entitled to that number of votes. All voting shall be conducted by a show of hands during the meeting. A vote shall be carried by a majority show of hands.

All nominations for Committee members shall be submitted to the Club Secretary, in writing, seven days prior to the A.G.M.

#### **5) MEMBERSHIP**

Any fully paid up member of the Club shall be eligible to play for the Club. All players must conform to the Club rules, the rules of the League in which they play, the Kent County football Association and the English School's Football Association.

Each player must register with the Club and pay an annual fee determined by the Management Committee, fees are not repayable.

Any player fined by the League or KCFA will be called upon to pay that fine and will not be allowed to play for the Club until the fine is settled.

The Management Committee may reject or withdraw membership of anyone whom they feel has not acted in the best interests of the Club.

The Management Committee shall have the power to suspend or ban anyone for misconduct that would bring the Club into disrepute.

All Officers and Players are covered on the Club's individual team and Public Liability insurance.

#### **6) SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Subscriptions shall be determined annually by the Management Committee and will cover such disbursements on behalf of the Club.

#### **7) CODE OF CONDUCT**

All Club Officials, players and parents must agree to and sign the Club Code of Conduct in order to secure membership. Failure to do so or to breach the Code will result in expulsion of that person and if necessary the player from the Club.

**8) CHILD WELFARE**

The Club has a named Child Welfare Officer who is qualified to take on that role.

The CWO will advise Managers and Officers on their expected roles as set out in the Football Association Child Welfare Policy, Procedures and Practices, up-dating them with legislation and guidelines as they become available.

**9) CLUB CLOSURE**

A resolution to disband the Club can only be proposed at a General Meeting to which all members must be informed of. The resolution can only be carried by a three-quarters majority.

Should the Club be disbanded for any reason, any Club assets will be distributed to a nominated charity decided upon by the Management Committee.