# Newport City Football Club Club Constitution



## 1) Title

The title of the Club shall be Newport City Football Club (Here in after called the Club).

## 2) Objects

The aims of the club shall be to promote through the game of Association Football (and other forms of sport) friendship and understanding between all Club members and to co-ordinate the development of this concept by organising fund raising activities to supports the objects of the Club

## 3) Organisation

#### **Chief Executive**

The Chief Executive will be part responsible for the day to day running of Newport City Football club and its established structure. The Chief Executive will keep committees fully up to date with all relevant matters within the football club at their relevant meetings, and will be directly responsible to the Executive Committee.

## **Director of Football – General Manager**

The Director of Football – General Manager is directly responsible for the coaching structure of both the Football Club and Minis and Juniors club. The football clubs first team and youth teams' management and coaching structure will be their responsibility. The management and coaching staff will be answerable to the Director of Football – General Manager within this structure will be reported to the Football Club Chairman and , if not resolved, the Executive Committee.

#### **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee will compromise of Patron, President, Chief Executive, Chairman, Treasurer and those elected. The Executive Committee will make the relevant decision including finance and development. All financial matters regarding players and management would remain within this committee.

#### **General Committee**

The General Committee are those members who will help with the running of the Club. That can be financially (I.E fund raising match day cover) manually and many other general functions.

#### **Patron & President**

Patron & President will be allowed to sit on any committee meeting of any committee within the structure as scrutineers and advisors, and will have the right to vote as and when deemed necessary. The election of Patron & President is a lifetime position and the nominated persons must come from within the structure

#### **Vice Presidents**

Vice Presidents are figureheads of the club and can be elected by payment of an annual fee, or as deemed suitable by the General Committee.

## (Mini & Juniors) Boys and Girls Club Football Committee

The Boys & Girls Club will contain its own committee. Those committee members can be members of the General Committee or Executive Committee of the Football Club if desired. The officers do not have to be the same as the Football Club, but must be from within the structure. All new members of the Boys and Girls Club Committee must be voted on by the Boys and Girls Club. The Clubs Chief Executive, Secretary and General Manager – Director of Football will over see the running of this section and have full voting powers.

## 4) Meetings

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Meetings shall be called once every other month on a date which is conductive and of benefit to Committee members taking into account availability due to work commitments. Special Executive

Committee meetings may be convened on the written application by 2/3rds of that Committee. Notices of motion for such meetings shall be received by the secretary at least seven days before the date of that meeting. Notices of motion for the Annual General meeting shall be received in writing by the secretary at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting. At least seven days notice shall be given to all members regarding the date set for the AGM. In the event of circumstances of importance arising the secretary can call a Special Executive Committee meeting giving the secretary twenty four hours notice to the Executive Committee.

The quorum of the Executive & General Management Committee shall consist of not less than half of the current elected Executive General Management Committee members. Decisions of executive and general management committee shall be made by the votes of those members present who are eligible to vote. In the event of equality of votes, the chairman or other person presiding at the meeting shall have a casting vote whether or not he has previously voted. Where the chairman is personally involved the person so nominated shall take the chair.

Voting by proxy can and will only take place at the AGM or Special AGM. The Executive Committee shall be authorised to appoint sub comities. The Chairman, Chief Executive (Secretary), General Manager – Director of Football and Treasurer shall be ex official members of all sub committees.

The Chairman and/or Chief Executive and Secretary may invite to any of the meetings of the Executive committee or sub committee's in a consultative or advisory capacity. Such person's will not be eligible to vote.

Should exceptional circumstances arise the Chairman in consultation with the Chief Executive and Secretary shall be authorised to cancel any meeting should it be deemed necessary

An Executive Committee member or A General Committee member or club officer who fails to attend four consecutive committee meetings, without apologies, or fails to attend five consecutive meetings with or without apologies will be deemed no longer a committee member, unless the General Committee rule that there are extenuating circumstances. If a General Committee member is within two meetings of breaking the above rules, they must be informed in writing of their situation. If that is deemed not suitable at the time, a club officer can be asked to relate the message in person.

## 5) Finance

#### **Finance**

At the AGM statement of accounts and balance sheets shall be presented. The club account shall be held at a recognised clearing bank - in Newport City FCs case this is currently with Barclays. All cheques shall be signed by not less than two executive members as named on bank mandate one of whom shall be the treasurer.

## 6) Amendments to this Constitution

Amendments to this constitution may be made only at the Annual General meeting or a special AGM called by 2/3rds of the Executive Committee.

## 7) Dissolution of Newport City Football Club

In the event of the club being dissolved any property or monies remaining after those debts and liabilities have been settled shall be applied to some purpose or organisation's whose objects correspond with those of the Club.

# 8) Rules and Regulations

All members are subject to the Club rules and regulations in force.

# 9) Club Rules

## **Players and Management**

The formation of the club is to provide Football & (Other sports) (Boys and Girls Club Section) for the local area. And will be affiliated with the Welsh FA, and South Wales FA, Players and Management must adhere to the club rules. Senior players can be signed outside of the area if it is deemed necessary for the players with the club structure and to improve the clubs image of playing.

## **Subscriptions**

Players and Management must pay a weekly subscription. The subscription amount will be selected annually by the executive committee if players or management fail to pay for two weeks their capacity as a player or manager will be suspended, until payment is received. Any player who owes more than two weeks subscription cant play for any other team within the club.

#### Registrations

All players of 16 years or over must register with the relevant age groups within the structure. i.e. Youth age groups and all senior teams. e.g Players cant register with any other club, the idea of the club is to coach and develop within its structure, so that the players can reach their highest standards. Senior players can be registered outside of the area, if it is deemed necessary for the improvement of developing players within the structure and therefore improving the standard of the senior team. (I.E named 1st team.)

#### **Playing Standards**

The senior team will have first priority on all players 16 years old and over. The rotation of players throughout the youth system into the senior team will be under the guidance of the General Manager – Director of Football and their senior coaching teams. Players will be required to train a minimum of once a week, only altered by management. Players must adhere to the clubs code of conduct available in handbook form.

All bookings and sending off's fees must be paid within 7 days of the offence by the player. If not paid that player is not available for selection