



ELTON FURZE GOLF CLUB MEMBERS' CONSTITUTION

MEMBERSHIP (Golf)

There will be the following categories of golf membership:

- (a) Full Membership
- (b) Five-Day Membership
- (c) Corporate Membership
- (d) Student/Intermediate Membership
- (e) Junior Membership
- (f) Social Membership

ANNUAL FEES

Annual membership runs for a 12-month period from 1st May each year. Annual fees are payable by each member to the Proprietor by 30th April each year.

MEMBERS' FINANCIAL YEAR

The members' financial year shall run from the 1st November to 31st October each year.

AFFILIATION

The Club recognises The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews (R&A) as the ruling body of amateur golf and abides by the rules of golf and amateur status as laid down by the R&A.

The Club also complies with the directions of the Council of National Golf Unions (CONGU), which has responsibility for handicap rules and the conduct of competitions.

The Club further complies with the rules of England Golf, the Cambridgeshire Area Golf Union (CAGU) for men and Northamptonshire Golf Ltd for ladies.

OFFICERS OF THE CLUB

The Officers of the Club shall consist of the Chairman, Treasurer and the Members' Secretary.

THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

The General Committee of the Club shall consist of the Officers of the Club, the Men's Captain, the Ladies' Captain, the Seniors' Captain along with their vice-captains and eight other elected members.

The Officers of the Club shall be proposed, seconded and elected at an Annual General Meeting and appointed, from the start of the next calendar year, for a period of three years after which time they will be eligible for re-election.

The Men's Captain, the Ladies' Captain and the Seniors' Captain shall be proposed, seconded and elected at each Annual General Meeting and hold the post for the next calendar year.

The Men's Vice-Captain, the Ladies' Vice-Captain and the Seniors' Vice-Captain shall be proposed, seconded and elected at each Annual General Meeting and hold the post for the next calendar year.

The eight other elected members, which should be a mix of men and ladies and one should be the Juniors' Representative, shall be proposed, seconded and elected at a General Meeting and serve for a period of two years after which time they will be eligible for re-election.

A list showing the composition of the General Committee can be found at Appendix A.

In cases where a Committee member is elected at an Extraordinary General Meeting, part way through a year, his or her tenure shall take effect from the previous Annual General Meeting.

The General Committee may also co-opt other persons on to the Committee, but such persons shall not be eligible to vote.

FUNCTIONS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

The General Committee, in consultation with the Proprietor, is responsible for organising and running a programme of competitions, matches and social events, and ensuring that the course complies with R&A rules.

The General Committee is also the Handicapping Authority for all members for whom it is the Home Club and is responsible for ensuring compliance with CONGU Rules 6 and 7.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

Nine members of the General Committee shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of any General Committee meeting.

At meetings all members of the General Committee excluding the Chairman shall be entitled to vote. Where necessary decisions of the General Committee shall be made by a simple majority of those present and voting. Where there is a tied vote the Chairman shall have the casting vote.

THE MEMBERS' SECRETARY

The Members' Secretary shall have custody of all documents that are relevant to Committee business and keep full and accurate minutes of all proceedings and records of the General Committee.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

An Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be held each year at such time as the General Committee shall determine. The Chairman, or failing him such person as the members present shall determine, shall preside at the AGM. Those members present shall be considered to form a quorum.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The date and hour of the AGM shall be included as an item of the Club Fixture List or appropriate medium each year. At least 28 days' notice of the AGM, specifying the business to be transacted and the day, place and time of the meeting shall be displayed prominently on the main notice board in the clubhouse.

Club members who wish to raise issues at an AGM must notify the Members' Secretary in writing not less than 14 days before the meeting. Where proposals are being made a Proposer and a Seconder must be shown.

To give members adequate opportunity to prepare for an AGM the Secretary shall promulgate the final Agenda not less than 10 days before the meeting.

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS

Club members who wish to call an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) have the right to do so. In such cases a minimum of 15 members are required to apply in writing to the Members' Secretary who must then convene a meeting by applying the same rules of notice as are required for an AGM.

COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS

Complaints and appeals concerning any matters affecting the members shall be made in writing to the Secretary and shall be dealt with in the first instance by the General Committee. Where necessary and appropriate the General Committee will refer such complaints and appeals to the Proprietor.

DISCIPLINARY POWERS

The General Committee shall, whenever necessary, exercise disciplinary powers in cases where the Rules of Golf, England Golf regulations, CONGU regulations or relevant Club Rules have been breached.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

This Constitution cannot be amended except by a simple majority vote at an AGM or, in exceptional circumstances, at an EGM.

This Constitution was approved at the AGM held on 28 November 2016.

Composition of the EFGC General Committee

Chairman

Treasurer

Secretary

Men's Captain

Ladies' Captain

Seniors' Captain

Men's Vice-Captain

Ladies' Vice-Captain

Seniors' Vice-Captain

Juniors' Organiser

Men's Handicap Secretary

Ladies' Handicap Secretary

Men's Competition Secretary

Ladies' Secretary

Members' Representative (Trophies & Boards)

Members' Representative (without portfolio)

Members' Representative (without portfolio)

17 in total