

	RUSHCLIFFE RAMBLERS
	APPENDIX NO 1
	AGENDA ITEM NO 9
	AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

1 INTRODUCTION

At the committee meeting held on Wednesday 11 August 2021, the committee agreed the proposals listed below to amend the Constitution of the Rushcliffe Group.

In accordance with Clause 14 of the RR Constitution, the Area governing body having given its written approval to the amendments (by email dated 12 September 2021 from the Area Secretary), the proposed amendments listed below require the approval of a two-thirds majority of members present and voting at a General Meeting.

2 AMENDMENTS

2.1 Clause 1 – Name and Definition

- **Third Line:** Clause 6.1 replaced by 'Clause 13.1'.

To agree with the clause in Ramblers' Articles of Agreement dated April 2019.

- **Fifth Line:** after 'Rushcliffe Group' insert 'also known as Rushcliffe Ramblers.'

Added in recognition of the name by which the Group is generally known.

- **Seventh Line:** After 'RA' delete 'Association.'

To be consistent with RA references in body of the document

2.2 Clause 2 – Objects

- **First Line:** after 'territory' insert '(Clause 3 below).'

2.3 Clause 3 – Territory

- **Second Line:** after 'time.' add the sentence, 'The agreement shall be in writing or delineated on a map.'

The purpose of this addition is to give direction as to how the agreement will be recorded.

2.4 Clauses 6 (viii), 7 (i) and 7 (ii)

- Shorten 'Chairman' to 'Chair' to be gender neutral.

2.5 Management

- **Clause 6 (viii): Second Line:** after 'be' insert 'possible.'

- **New Clause 6 (ix)**

Insert the following clause:

'Whenever a committee member has a personal interest in a matter to be discussed he/she must declare it, withdraw from that part of the meeting (unless asked to stay), not be counted in the quorum for that agenda item and withdraw during the vote and have no vote on the matter concerned'

Codification of a decision agreed at a committee meeting of 27 January 2020 Item 6 (d) of the procedure to be followed if a committee member declares a personal interest in a matter.

2.6 Clause 7 – Election of Officers

- **New Clause 7 (iv)**

Insert the following clause:

'Notwithstanding sub-clause 7(ii) the person holding the position of Chair shall not be eligible for immediate re-election if he or she has held the position for the preceding five consecutive years.'

The intention of this clause is to refresh this key post on a regular basis. It does not prevent that person from standing at a future date.