

FRIENDS OF RALEIGH PARK

CONSTITUTION

1. We are called the Friends of Raleigh Park.
2. Our purposes are:
 - to protect, conserve and enhance Raleigh Park as a place of recreation and enjoyment for the long term benefit of all sections of the local community;
 - to support, assist and advise Oxford City Council in its trusteeship of Raleigh Park
 - to gather input from local people and representative groups so that the park may best serve the community.
3. Membership is open to all.
Classes of membership, including corporate membership, and the rates of annual subscription shall be set at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).
4. A Committee consisting of the following officers and members shall normally be elected by the Annual General Meeting of the Friends of Raleigh Park:
 - Chair
 - Deputy Chair
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Membership Secretary
 - Two ordinary members

Officers will normally hold office for two years, and may be re-elected for a second term of office. Ordinary members will serve for one or two years; at least one ordinary member will stand down or present themselves for re-election each year.

The Committee shall have the power to co-opt up to three additional members to the Committee. Representatives of Oxford City Council Parks Department will be invited to attend meetings of the Committee.

5. The Committee may only take decisions when at least three members of the Committee, including at least two officers, are present.
6. An AGM shall be held each year not later than four months after the end of the financial year which shall be 31 July each year. The Committee shall give not less than 21 days notice of the date fixed for an AGM. A quorum at an AGM shall be 10 members or 10% of the total number of members (in either case excluding Corporate members for the purpose of this calculation) whichever shall be the higher.
7. Inspected accounts shall be presented at the AGM for approval by the members.
8. This constitution may be amended by a motion passed at an AGM by at least two thirds of the members present at the meeting.
9. Should the Friends of Raleigh Park cease to exist any residual funds shall be paid to Oxford City Council provided that Oxford City Council undertakes to expend such funds on one or more projects at Raleigh Park within six months of the date of payment.

This constitution was adopted at the Formation Meeting of the Friends of Raleigh Park held on 21 September 2011.