



BARNWELL ENTERTAINERS

CONSTITUTION

1 NAME OF ORGANISATION

The name of the group shall be Barnwell Entertainers, hereinafter referred to as BE.

2 OBJECTIVES & AIMS

The objectives of BE shall be to promote, produce and perform plays and other performances of general entertainment for the local community.

3 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

BE is an equal opportunities organisation and membership of BE will be open to all irrespective of age, sex, ethnicity, religious denomination etc without prejudice or bias.

4 MEMBERSHIP

The Society shall consist of members who have paid an annual subscription. Subscriptions for the forthcoming year shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). New members joining during the year will be required to pay a subscription. Members leaving the group during the year will not have subscriptions refunded unless there are special circumstances.

5 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

The officers of BE will be Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. The management of BE shall be in the hands of a Committee consisting of the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and two other full members of BE, who will meet as and when required. The Producer and Director for each production, when appointed, will be Committee Members for the duration of the production. A quorum shall be 2 officers and 3 other members of the Committee. The Committee will be elected each year at the AGM. The Committee can co-opt additional members from time to time as required or to fill any vacancy on the Committee.

6 MANAGEMENT

All arrangements for productions and other events and the control of finance shall be in the hands of the Committee or those members given responsibility for a particular task by the Committee.

7 FINANCE

The financial year shall end on the 31st May.

8 MEETINGS/AGM/EGM

All meetings shall be conducted by the Chairman or, if they be absent, another member of the Committee nominated by the meeting. General meetings shall be called by the Committee as and when they see fit.

Votes at any meeting of BE will be decided by simple majority. In the event of a tied vote, the Chairman is given a casting vote.

8 MEETINGS/AGM/EGM (cont'd)

An Annual General Meeting will be held in June each year the date to be set by the Committee and announced with at least 14 days notice. The purpose of the AGM will be to receive reports from the Officers, receive a financial statement from the Treasurer, set the annual subscription and elect a Committee.

An EGM can be called at any time by a written request to the Secretary signed by at least one third of the membership. The EGM will take place at a date and time as decided by the Committee. The EGM will be within 21 days of receipt of the request for an EGM.

9 AMENDMENTS

The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority of the members present at an AGM.

10 DISSOLUTION

BE may only be dissolved by a resolution passed by two thirds of the membership at an EGM. In the event of dissolution the Committee will be responsible for settling all debts and liquidating all assets into cash. All funds of BE after this time shall be distributed to another local organisation with similar values and aims or donated to a charity as decided by the Committee.

11 GENERAL

The Committee is the sole arbiter in the interpretation of the constitution.

This Constitution replaces and supercedes any previous version.