

NORTHAMPTON FOLK DANCE CLUB  
(Affiliated to the E.F.D.S.S.)

RULES -June 2017

1. TITLE

The Club shall be called the Northampton Folk Dance Club

2. MEMBERSHIP

Membership of the Club and attendance at Club evenings shall be open to persons of either sex aged 18 years or over, or at the discretion of the committee.

3. AIMS

- a) To provide facilities for the enjoyment of Folk Dancing through regular meetings and special events.
- b) To encourage the continuation of Folk Dancing as part of our Cultural Heritage.

4. COMMITTEE

- a) The business of the Club shall be managed by a committee consisting of the following: Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and 4 other members.
- b) At every meeting of the Committee four shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and of these at least two of the following officers must be present: Chairman, Vice Chairman or Secretary.
- c) Committee Members shall retire at the termination of each year of office and shall be eligible for re-election to the position they vacate or other Office.  
In the event of the Chairman not being elected to any other office, he or she may remain on the Committee for a period of one year in an advisory capacity.

5. ELECTIONS

- a) Nominations for the election of Officers of the Committee should be in the hands of the Secretary not later than seven days prior to the Annual General Meeting. Nominations for other Committee members shall be taken from the floor at the Annual General Meeting.
- b) If for any reason the strength of the Committee falls below its full number, the Committee shall have the power to replace members who shall remain in office until the Annual General Meeting following their appointment.

6. MEETINGS

- a) The Annual General Meeting shall normally be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in June.
- b) Committee Meetings shall be held from time to time at the discretion of the Committee or at the request of at least one third of the total membership.
- c) A Special General Meeting may be called at any time either by the Committee or by at least one third of the total membership.
- d) Notices of Motions to be introduced at the Annual General Meeting shall be in the hands of the Secretary at least seven days before the date of the Meeting.

7. FINANCE

- a) The Annual Subscription shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting and shall become due as from 1<sup>st</sup> September.
- b) The Club Assets are assets of the Club and not of the English Folk Dance and Song Society
- c) In the event of the Club being wound up a decision will be made at a Final General Meeting of Members to determine the disposal of the Assets.
- d) The Accounts of the Club shall be audited annually.