



# KINGFISHER PROBUS CLUB

## CONSTITUTION

### 1. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The purpose of the Club is to provide a regular meeting point for retired business and professional men who appreciate and value in their retirement, increased social contacts and opportunities to meet others in similar circumstances for discussion and short lectures on interesting topics.

The Club shall be non-political and non-sectarian.

### 2. RULES

#### 2.1. Title

The Club shall be called Kingfisher Probus Club – Redditch

#### 2.2. Membership

Ordinary membership shall be open to all professional and business men who have fully or partially retired from their normal profession or business. Application for membership must be sponsored and seconded by Members of the Club and approved by the Committee.

Members leaving the district may retain membership as Country members at one half of the annual subscription.

Honorary Membership shall be open to a limited number of persons nominated by the Committee and elected in General Meeting.

Membership shall be restricted to 60 subscribing and honorary members.

#### 2.3. Management

The Club shall be managed by a Committee consisting of the President, Vice-President, Honorary Treasurer, Honorary Secretary, Speaker Secretary and any Social Secretaries required to organise the wider additional activities of the club, all to be elected or re-elected at each Annual General Meeting. The immediate Past President shall be, ex-officio, a member of the committee for one year. The new committee shall assume office on 1<sup>st</sup> January following the Annual General Meeting.

The President and Vice-President may not serve in that office for more than one consecutive year. Other committee members may offer themselves for re-election.

An officer may hold two appointments, e.g. Secretary and Treasurer.

In Committee, a quorum shall not be less than four, one of these being the President or Vice-President.

The Committee shall have power to co-opt others as necessary.

### **3. MEETINGS**

The Annual General Meeting shall be held in November each year. On the written request of not less than one third of the membership, stating the nature of the business to be discussed, the Honorary Secretary shall call a Special General Meeting and shall give at least two weeks' notice of such a meeting.

Voting at all meetings shall be by show of hands, or by ballot if so determined.

The President shall have a second or casting vote in the event of an equal division of votes.

The regular meeting shall take place on the second Thursday of each month, unless otherwise agreed.

Business shall be dealt with at each regular meeting and recorded in the Minutes.

Arrangements may be made from time to time for other events as the members may decide.

### **4. SUBSCRIPTIONS**

The subscription shall be fixed at the Inaugural Meeting and subsequently at the Annual General Meeting

### **5. FINANCE**

The Honorary Treasurer shall open and maintain with a recognised bank a current account in the name of the Club

He shall keep proper books and records, and present to the Members at each Annual General Meeting a set of accounts for the year to the 30<sup>th</sup> September immediately preceding.

An Honorary Auditor from among the members shall be appointed at each Annual General Meeting to serve for the ensuing year.

### **6. NOMINATIONS**

Nominations for an Officer or a Committee Member, with the nominee's approval, must be in the hands of the Honorary Secretary, in writing, two weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting.