

BY-LAWS

1. Memorandum and Articles of Association

The Syston Bowling Club (“the Club”) and any constituent Section shall be managed in full accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

2. Discipline

The Club may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute.

The maintenance of discipline among the Members shall initially be a matter for the Executive Committee. However, no disciplinary action shall be taken or penalty imposed unless the Member concerned shall first have been given full details of any concern/complaint and, with due notice, subsequent full opportunity to explain his/her conduct to authorised representatives of the Executive Committee and to make a plea for mitigation. At the conclusion of due process, should any Member feel aggrieved by any penalty imposed by the Committee, that Member shall have the right of appeal - first to the Board and then, should the aggrieved Member remain dissatisfied, to the membership in General Meeting.

3. Licensed bar

The Club bar will be open only in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license currently in force. Members are not permitted to enter the bar area except as voluntary helpers authorised by the Board.

4. Visitors

Spouses, partners and other immediate family of Members shall be entitled to use the amenities of the Clubhouse but will not be entitled to attend general meetings of the Club or to introduce visitors.

All persons being members of visiting teams and/or members of Clubs affiliated to Bowls England and their guests visiting the Clubhouse with the permission of the Board shall be permitted to enjoy the (non-voting) privileges of membership of the Club for the day of their visit.

A Member may introduce a friend as a guest for a day provided that the name and address of any such guest and the name of the Member shall be entered into the Visitors Book maintained by the Club. Such guests may purchase alcoholic drinks from the Bar.

5. Neither the Club nor any Officer thereof shall be liable to any Member or guest of a Member for any loss of or damage to any property occurring from whatever cause in or about the Club premises, nor for any injury sustained by any Member or guest whilst on or entering or leaving the Club premises. This bylaw shall not infringe, restrict or damage the basic legal rights of the individual under the Club’s public liability insurance arrangements.

6. Animals

No animals, other than guide dogs, may be admitted to the Clubhouse.

7. Smoking

In full accordance with legislative requirements, smoking is prohibited in all parts of the Clubhouse and on the green.

8. Security

On payment of a deposit set by the Board, each Member of the Club shall receive a key to the Clubhouse. Provided that the key is returned to the Treasurer, the deposit shall be refundable when membership ceases.

It is the responsibility of the last Member in the Clubhouse to lock and secure all windows, shutters and doors after checking that all gas and electrical appliances are switched off and that no taps are left running.

As recommended by the Unification Working Party – January 2017