

EBOR PLAYERS

RULES

1. Adoption of the Rules

1.1 The Group and its property will be administered and managed in accordance with the provisions of these Rules.

2. Name

2.1 The association's name is "The Ebor Players" (hereafter the Group)

3. The Objects

The objects are

3.1 To organise an annual village pantomime in Bishopthorpe

3.2 To support and develop the involvement of any members of the community regardless of experience or ability, especially young people.

4. Application of the Income and Property

4.1 The income and property of the Group shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects

4.2 A member may pay out of, or be reimbursed from, the property of the Group reasonable expenses properly incurred by him or her when acting on behalf of the Group

4.3 None of the income or property of the Group may be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend bonus or otherwise by way of profit to any member of the Group. This does not prevent a member from receiving reasonable and proper remuneration for any goods or services supplied to the Group

5. Dissolution

5.1 If the members decide to dissolve the Group the Officers will be responsible for winding up the affairs of the Group in accordance with this clause

5.2 The Officers must collect in all the assets of the Group and must pay or make provision for all the liabilities of the Group

5.3 The Officers must apply any remaining property or money directly for the objects; by transfer to any group or groups for purposes the same as or similar to the Group.

5.4 The members may pass a resolution before or at the same time as the resolution to dissolve the Group specifying the manner in which the Officers are to apply the remaining property or assets of the Group and the Officers must comply with the resolution if it is consistent with sub-clause 5.3.

5.5 In no circumstances shall the net assets of the Group be paid to or distributed among the members of the Group.

6. Amendments

6.1 The Group may amend any provision contained in these Rules provided that any resolution is passed by a majority of the members.

6.2 Notice of such a proposal shall be circulated not less than one week beforehand.

7. Membership

7.1 Membership shall be open to all those having sympathy with the objects of the group.

8. Meetings

8.1 General meetings of the group shall be held as necessary

8.2 General meetings shall be held under the chairmanship of the Chairman or woman or their deputy and minuted.

8.3 Attendance at General Meetings is open to all members

8.4 An Annual General Meeting shall be held not less than eight weeks after the pantomime has taken place, annually.

8.5 Not more than 15 months will elapse between Annual General Meetings

9. Chair

9.1 General Meetings shall be chaired by the person who has been elected as chair.

9.2 If there is no such person the Vice-Chair shall chair the meeting

9.3 If the Vice-Chair is not available any other member nominated by the members shall chair the meeting

10. Votes

10.1 Each member shall have one vote but of there is an equality of votes the person chairing the meeting shall have a casting vote in addition to any other vote he or she may have.

11. The Officers

11.1 The Group and its property shall be managed and administered by a committee comprising the Officers and other members elected in accordance with these Rules.

11.2 The Group shall have the following officers: A chair, A Vice Chair, A minutes secretary, A membership secretary, A Treasurer

11.3 An Officer must be a member of the Group

11.4 The number of officers shall be not less than three and not more than five.

12. The Appointment of Officers

12.1 The Group will elect Officers in the Annual General Meeting

12.2 Each Officer shall retire with effect from the conclusion of the AGM next after his or her appointment but shall be eligible for re-election at that AGM

13. Powers of Officers

13.1 All contracts and obligations properly entered into by the Officers for the furtherance of the Group's undertakings shall be deemed to have the consent and approval of the Members listed on the Secretary's Membership Roll at that time, who shall jointly and severally indemnify the Officers in respect of all claims arising out of or in connection with such contracts and obligations.

14. Disqualification and removal of Officers

An officer shall cease to hold office if he or she:

14.1 ceases to be a member of the Group

14.2 resigns as an Officer by notice to the Group

14.3 is absent without the permission of the Officers from all their meetings held within a period of six consecutive months and the Officers resolve that his or her office be vacated.

15. Proceedings of Officers

- 15.1 The Officers may regulate their proceedings as they see fit, subject to the provisions of this constitution
- 15.2 Any Officer may call a meeting of the Officers
- 15.3 Questions arising at a meeting must be decided by a majority of votes
- 15.4 In the case of an equality of votes, the person who chairs the meeting shall have a second or casting vote
- 15.5 The person elected as the Chair shall chair meetings of the Officers

16. Minutes

The Group must keep minutes of all:

- 16.1 Appointments of officers
- 16.2 Proceedings at general meetings including: The names of members present at the meeting; the decisions made at the meeting; the reasons for the decision

17. Bye-laws

- 17.1 The Group may from time to time make bye-laws for the conduct of its business.
- 17.2 These Bye-Laws may regulate the following matters, but are not restricted to them:
Procedures for the sale of tickets and seating arrangements; Auditions; Membership; Child Protection.