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1. Club Name

The name of the club shall be "Weston Rugby Football Club" (hereinafter called "the Club").

2. Club Colours

The colours of the Club shall be royal blue jerseys, red socks and royal blue shorts.

3. Club Year

For all purposes unless otherwise stated, the year of the Club shall commence on 1st April and terminate on the following 31st March.

4. Objects of the Club

The objects of the Club shall be: -

- a) the playing, promotion and development of the game of Rugby Football in the Parish of Weston, Hertfordshire in accordance with the Laws and Bye-laws of Rugby Union Football;
- b) the provision of opportunity for recreation, social activity and refreshment for the benefit of its Members;
- c) to affiliate to the Rugby Football Union and any constituent or affiliated bodies deemed appropriate by the Management Committee.

5. Proposal for Membership

Membership is inclusive and open to everyone who whom either currently lives or was reared within the Parish of Weston, Hertfordshire (or with agreement by the Executive Committee has an association with Weston) upon presentation of a completed application form and payment to the Club Membership Secretary. All Members shall abide by the requirements of this Constitution and any Rules and Regulations of the Club.

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6. Classes of Membership

The following classes of membership shall exist. The Executive Committee shall decide the subscription payable by Playing Members and the Officers shall decide the subscription payable by all other classes of membership.

- a) **Chairman** - Nominated and seconded by the Executive Committee.
- b) **Life** - Endorsed by the Executive Committee, this membership is only available to non players over the age of 80.
- c) **Player and Ladies Player** - All Members who play
- d) **Corporate** - To be endorsed by the Executive Committee.
- e) **Youth** - This category permits youths under the age of 19 years to be Members of the Club
- f) **The President** - Shall be a member of the Executive Committee, invited by the Executive Committee for an indefinite period and until either party wishes the position to be terminated.
- g) **Honorary Members** - At its discretion, the Executive Committee of the Club may invite any person of distinction or any person who has rendered good service to the Club to become an Honorary Member of the Club with an entitlement to all the benefits and privileges of Membership for life.

7. Payment of Subscriptions

Annual subscriptions are due on the 1st of April. If any Member shall fail to pay their subscription, the Membership Secretary shall send a notice to their address in the records of the Club, calling upon them to pay the same within seven days. If they fail to pay their subscription, the Management Committee may terminate their membership without further notice.

8. Resignation of Membership

Any Member desirous of resigning from the Club shall notify any member of the Executive Committee of their intention to resign. Upon resignation, a Member shall cease forthwith to have any rights and privileges in connection with the Club or the assets of the Club.

9. Temporary Members

By resolution, the Executive Committee shall be empowered to elect temporary Members of the Club on such terms and at such subscriptions as it may decide but no such temporary Member shall be admitted to the privileges of membership until at least two days after their election nor shall any temporary Member be elected or re-elected for a period that shall exceed in all one month. A temporary Member shall have no right to attend any General or Special Meeting of Members.

10. Executive Officers of the Club shall comprise:

- Chairman
- President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Social Secretary

11. Committee Members of the Club shall comprise:

- Fixtures Secretary
- Communications Secretary

Committee Members shall be invited by the Executive Committee and elected at the General Meeting of the Club and shall remain in office until the following General Meeting, when they shall retire but shall individually remain eligible for re- election.

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12. Management of the Club

The Management of the Club, including matters relating to social and sporting activities shall be vested solely in the Executive Committee and its decision on all matters relating to the Club and arising out of or under these Rules or the interpretation of these Rules or matters not provided for in these Rules, shall be final. The Club is a non-profit distributing body. Any surplus accumulated funds at the end of a financial year shall be reinvested in the Club and for the Club. No monies or benefits received from third party contributors or their associated bodies will in any way be applied to their benefit but shall solely benefit the Club.

13. The Conduct and Expulsion of Members

Any Member whose conduct shall be deemed to be contrary to the welfare and best interests of the Club may be requested in writing to attend before the Executive Committee at such time and place as the Executive Committee may appoint to give such explanation as may be required. Failing such attendance or if any such explanation shall, in the opinion of the Executive Committee, be unsatisfactory then the Executive Committee shall have the power by resolution to suspend or expel the Member from the Club.

14. Alteration of the Club Constitution

No alteration or addition to these Rules shall be made except by resolution at a General Meeting carried by at least two-thirds of the Executive Committee. Notice of the General Meeting shall have contained particulars of the proposed alteration or addition.

15. Dissolution of the Club

- a) If at any General Meeting of the Club, a resolution be passed to call for the dissolution of the Club, the Secretary shall within one month convene a Special Meeting of the Club to discuss and vote on such a resolution.

- b) If at the Special Meeting, the resolution is carried by at least two-thirds of the Executive Committee, the Executive Committee shall thereupon or at such date as shall have been specified in the resolution, proceed to realise the assets of the Club and discharge all debts and liabilities of the Club.

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- c) After discharging all debts and liabilities of the Club, the remaining assets shall not be paid or distributed amongst the Members of the Club but shall be given or transferred to a registered charity or a body to which the Club is affiliated, e.g. Hertfordshire RFU.

Signed: _____ Chairman Date: _____