

Hawcoat Park Bowling Club



Barrow in Furness

LA14 4HF

Hawcoat Park Bowling Club Constitution and Rules of governance

- 1) The Bowling Club shall be called Hawcoat Park.**
- 2) The Hawcoat Park Bowling Club section and its members will abide by the "Hawcoat Park Sports Club" rules and byelaws.**
- 3) The object of the Hawcoat Park Bowling Club is to provide facilities for and promote participation of the whole community in the sport of crown green bowling.**
- 4) The ground is situated in Hawcoat Lane, Barrow-in-Furness and shall be called Hawcoat Park Sports Club.**
- 5) The Hawcoat Park Bowling Club will hold an Annual General Meeting, at the end of each season, when in addition to other matters of business, Officers will be elected for the following two years. All members shall be entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting.**
- 6) To maintain continuity in the management of the bowling club, half of the officers will retire on an alternating annual basis but they will be eligible for re-election. Officers to include Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, League Delegate(s), Competition Secretary, Chairman of Selectors and Auditor. The Auditor will not be a member of the general committee, but will have the responsibility of auditing the books and accounts of the club.**
- 7) The general committee will be made up of representatives from the mens, ladies and senior citizens sections of the bowling club.**
- 8) The Hawcoat Park Bowling Club will hold regular committee meetings throughout the year, in managing the affairs of the club.**
- 9) Membership of the club shall be open to anyone interested in the sport of**

crown green bowling on application, regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs.

10) The club may refuse membership or expel from membership, only for good and sufficient cause, such as conduct or character to bring the club or sport into disrepute. Appeal against such a decision may be made to the club's members and decided by a majority vote.

11) Any Hawcoat Park Sports Club playing member is entitled to play on the bowling greens at Hawcoat Park, from 11.00am onwards, unless the green closed signs are in place or subject to grounds maintenance and other organised bowling events, providing they abide by the 'Bowling Clubs' rules of play.

12) Any Hawcoat Park Sports Club playing member is eligible to play for the 'Bowling Club' in league matches, providing:

a) They are registered to play for Hawcoat Park with the appropriate league.

b) They are affiliated to the Cumbria Crown Green Bowling Association and hold an affiliation card/reference number.

c) They pay a registration fee per league for the season as specified by the Hawcoat Park Bowling Club committee for regular consideration at team selection meetings, or alternatively pay a match fee as specified by the committee should they only wish to be considered on a 'standby' basis or on temporary loan from another club.

d) They agree to play for any team they are selected for, providing they are available to play on the match date.

13) The Treasurer in reporting to the general committee shall control all income and expenditure of the funds of the Club and all other subscriptions and other cash receipts derived from whatever source shall be added to the general funds of the Club.

14) All surplus income or profits are re-invested in the Club. No surpluses or assets will be distributed to members or third parties.

15) The funds shall be kept in such banks, as the committee may desire.

16) Upon dissolution of the Club, any remaining assets shall be given or transferred to another CASC, a registered charity or the sports governing body.

17) Hawcoat Park Bowling Club rules of play:

a) Any Hawcoat Park Sports Club playing member, registered to play for another club in league games, will not be allowed to play on the no.2 men's match green before the end of May, and will not be allowed to play on either of the greens deemed to be the match green in the week leading up to his team playing against Hawcoat Park Bowling Club in a league fixture. Nor will he be able to play on the green(s) involved in local league knockout matches and league and County competitions in the week leading up to that fixture.

b) Visitors to the Club wishing to play on the green(s) are subject to the same restrictions as in (a) above, and will need to pay a £2.00 playing fee to any committee member in attendance.

c) Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times when on the greens.

d) No more than 5 jacks will be permitted on the greens at all times.

18) Child and Vulnerable Person Policy:

a) In support of the Hawcoat Park Sports Club policy, we have a duty of care towards junior members and vulnerable adults. The Bowls section shall have a 'Safeguarding Officer' who shall coordinate all matters and issues of this nature and report into the Bowling Club committee.

b) The Hawcoat Park Bowling Club fully accepts its legal and moral obligation to exercise its duty of care and protect all children and vulnerable adults participating in its activities, and to safeguard their welfare.

c) We are committed to doing this by acknowledging that:

1. The welfare of the individual is paramount.

11. Each individual irrespective of age, gender, religion, race or disability has the right to protection from abuse.

111. Each individual has the right to be safe, and to be treated with respect and dignity.

d) We shall use our best endeavours to ensure that:

1. All allegations are taken seriously.

11. The response to them is swift and appropriate.

111. The effectiveness of our policy is reviewed annually.

1V. Any matters arising will be reported to the Hawcoat Park Sports Club Child Protection Officer and the bowling League's and County governing bodies.

The Child Protection Officer is Mr Paul Burns

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19) GDPR Statement:

The EU General Data Protection Regulation superceded The UK Data

Protection Act 1998 on the 25 May,2018. It expands the rights of individuals to control how their personal data is collected and processed and places a range of new obligations on organisations to be more accountable for data protection.

The Hawcoat Park Bowling Club holds personal data about individuals, for example, names and addresses for Club membership and activity purposes.

Minimal information is held however, should any club member wish to review their information, please contact the Club Secretary.

Reviewed at the AGM on Friday 20th October,2022