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Purley Horticultural Society



Constitution

Constitution as adopted on 15th October 1981, and amended on 19th February 1985,
21st February 1990 and 21st February 2001.

1. The Society shall be called the PURLEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.
2. The objects of the Society shall be the furtherance of the horticultural interests of the members generally.
3. Membership of the Society shall be open to residents of the parish of Purley on Thames and, within the discretion of the Executive Committee, to residents of neighbouring places. The Executive Committee shall have power to reject any application for membership for sufficient reasons.
4. The Society shall be managed by the Executive Committee consisting of the Officers, ex officio, the Chairman of the Shows Committee, and four other members (at least one of whom shall be a woman) to be elected at the Society's annual general meeting. The Executive Committee shall have power to co-opt. Three members shall form a quorum.
5. The Officers of the Society shall be the President, the Chairman, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Trading Secretary and the Membership Secretary, all of whom shall be elected annually at the Society's annual general meeting.
6. Each nomination for the election of an officer of the Society or a member of the Executive Committee shall be made in writing to the Secretary at least seven days before the date of the annual general meeting, except that this clause shall not apply to the first appointments of the Officers and the Executive Committee.
7. Any Vacancy among the Officers or the Executive Committee may be filled by the Committee for the remaining period of office.
8. A general meeting of the Society shall be held annually in the month of January or February, at which a report on the Society's activities and an audited statement of accounts for the preceding year shall be presented to the members.
9. A special general meeting may be requisitioned at any time by the Executive Committee, or upon a request in writing to the Chairman signed by at least 25 paid up members and specifying the business to be included in the agenda.
10. Notice of each annual or special general meeting shall be given to members not less than 21 days beforehand.

- 11. In pursuance of the objects of the Society mentioned in clause 2 above the Executive Committee shall be empowered:**
- **to arrange discussions, lectures, demonstrations, visits, or other events or activities of a horticultural nature;**
 - **to carry on trading activities in horticultural requirements and related items for the benefit of members of the Society;**
 - **to appoint committees for specific purposes;**
 - **to recommend to the annual general meeting the annual subscription to be paid by members;**
 - **to do such things as they may consider desirable for the benefit of the society or its members.**
- 12 The financial year of the Society shall be the calendar year.**
- 13 This constitution shall come into effect on 1st January 1982, on which date the assets and liabilities of the Purley Memorial Hall Horticultural Society shall become vested in the Purley Horticultural Society.**