

GAINSBOROUGH FOLK CLUB
Music of the people, by the people, for the people

Constitution

1. Name
The name of the group shall be **GAINSBOROUGH FOLK CLUB** (hereinafter called “the Group”).
2. Objects
The Objects of “the Group” shall be:-
 - a) To provide a myriad of Folk music/songs, ranging from traditional to modern and ancillary music/songs which may have developed therefrom.
 - b) To provide entertainment and space to perform the above, not only for our own Club but in support of others.
 - c) To advise, support, encourage and otherwise help (where possible) any new performers in an effort to project them forward onto the Folk Circuit.
 - d) To provide performances, not only for other Clubs but for Festivals and Concerts as requested and if convenient.
3. Membership
Membership shall be open, irrespective of political party, nationality, religious opinion, race or colour.
4. Termination of Membership
Any member wishing to resign from the Group shall give notice in writing to the Secretary.
5. Management
The General Management of the Group shall be in the hands of the Officers and Executive Committee elected by the majority of the members attending the Annual General Meeting.
The Officers of the Group shall be a Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.
6. Finance
The Group shall have a bank account, for which three (3) signatories should be nominated. Two Officers should be required to sign cheques.
An annual financial report should be presented at the AGM, audited by an independent examiner.

7. Dissolution

i) If the Officers and elected Committee of the Group decide by a majority that it is advisable to dissolve the Group it shall call a meeting of all voting members of the Group. Notice of this meeting will be at least 21 days. If, at the meeting, a motion to dissolve the Group is passed by a majority vote the Committee shall have the power to dispose of any assets held in the name of the Group.

ii) Any assets remaining, after all outstanding debts have been paid, shall be transferred to another group in the area with similar aims. If no such group can be agreed upon then the assets remaining should be handed to the Charity Commissioners for disposal. At no time will any members of the Group be entitled to any share of the assets of the Group.

8. Alteration to the Constitution

Any proposal to alter the Constitution must be delivered, in writing, to the Secretary of the Group, not less than 28 days before the General Meeting at which it is to be considered.

Any alteration will require the approval of a majority vote at the Annual or a Special General Meeting.

Notice of any such meeting must be given not less than 14 days prior to the meeting in question and state the wording of the proposed alteration.

Constitution adopted at a Special Meeting held on 14th April 2006.

Signed:

Chair, Gainsborough Folk Club.