

The Friends of Blakers Park Constitution

1. Aims & Objectives

The Friends of Blakers Park aim to contribute to the enhancement and development of Blakers Park.

To fulfil this aim the Friends of Blakers Park will:

- a. Communicate and liaise with Brighton Council.
- b. Raise funds and invite and receive contributions by way of subscriptions, donations and otherwise.
- c. Undertake projects to stimulate local interest and awareness.
- d. Encourage local participation in the preservation and maintenance of the Park's amenities.

2. Membership

Membership shall be open to anyone interested in furthering the aims of the Friends of Blakers Park.

3. The Committee

- a. The Committee shall consist of the Officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) and not more than ten other members.

Two additional members may be co-opted.

A quorum will be five, including two officers.

- b. The Committee shall meet at least once every three months, at not less than two weeks' notice.

4. Subscriptions

The committee shall recommend the amount of the annual subscriptions, for approval at the Annual General Meeting.

5. Meetings

- a. The Annual General Meeting (quorum 15) shall be held in September or October each year to:

- i. Receive a report from the Secretary.
- ii. Receive audited accounts from the Treasurer.
- iii. Elect Officers and Committee.
- iv. Appoint an auditor.

- b. A Special General Meeting (quorum 15) can be called at the written request of 15 or more paid-up members.

- c. At least 14 days' notice shall be given of all meetings of the Friends of Blakers Park.

6. Amendments

The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority of members present at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting, provided that 28 days' notice of the proposed amendment has been given to all members.

7. Winding Up

The Friends of Blakers Park may be dissolved by a two-thirds majority vote of the members at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting, provided the proposal has been referred to specifically when notice of the meeting is given. In the event of the Friends of Blakers Park being dissolved, the funds shall be transferred to a group having reasonably similar aims, as chosen by the Committee and approved by the meeting.