

East Leake Basketball Constitution

Article I: Name and Purpose

Section 1: Name

The name of this organisation shall be **East Leake Basketball**, hereafter referred to as the "Club."

Section 2: Purpose

The purpose of the Club is to promote and develop the sport of basketball within East Leake and the surrounding villages, foster a sense of teamwork and sportsmanship, and provide opportunities for members to improve their basketball skills through regular games, training, competitions, and community engagement.

Article II: Membership

Section 1: Eligibility

Membership in the Club shall be open to individuals that are aged 16 or over and who share a common interest in basketball and agree to abide by this constitution and the Club's bylaws. There shall be no discrimination based on race, colour, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or national origin.

Section 2: Rights and Responsibilities

- a) Members shall have the right to participate in Club activities, utilise Club facilities (where applicable), and attend Club meetings.
- b) Members shall uphold the Club's code of conduct, exhibit good sportsmanship, and treat all members, opponents, officials, and spectators with respect.
- c) Members shall pay the required membership/game fees and fulfil any other financial obligations determined by the Club.

Section 3: Termination of Membership

- a) Membership may be terminated if a member violates the Club's code of conduct or engages in conduct deemed detrimental to the Club's reputation.
- b) Termination of membership shall follow a fair and transparent process, including the opportunity for the member to present their case.

Article III: Club Structure

Section 1: Leadership

- a) The Club shall be governed by an elected executive committee consisting of the following positions:

- Chairman
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Club Welfare Officer
- Other positions as deemed necessary by the Club.

b) The executive committee shall be elected annually through a democratic voting process.

Section 2: Duties of the Executive Committee

a) **Chairman:** The Chairman shall provide overall leadership, preside over Club meetings, represent the Club in external matters, and help coordinate activities.

b) **Secretary:** The Secretary shall maintain Club records, handle correspondence, and keep minutes of Club meetings.

c) **Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall manage the Club's finances, maintain financial records, organise venue and league bookings and provide regular financial reports to the membership.

d) **Club Welfare Officer:** The Club Welfare Officer shall be responsible for ensuring the well-being and safeguarding of members within the Club, including maintaining the Club's policies and procedures, managing health and safety requirements, as well as incident reporting and management.

Article IV: Meetings

Section 1: Regular Meetings

The Club shall hold regular meetings to discuss Club matters, plan activities, and provide a platform for members to voice their opinions and concerns. The frequency and schedule of regular meetings shall be determined by the executive committee.

Section 2: Special Meetings Special meetings may be called by the Chairman, a majority of the executive committee, or upon written request by a certain percentage of the membership. Adequate notice shall be given for special meetings.

Section 3: Quorum

A quorum, defined as the minimum number of members required to conduct official business, must be present at a meeting to make decisions binding. The quorum requirement shall be stated in the Club's bylaws.

Article V: Amendments

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at a regular or special meeting, provided that notice of the proposed amendment has been given to the membership at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

Article VI: Dissolution

In the event of dissolution, any remaining assets of the Club shall be distributed to a charitable organisation or organisations with a similar mission as determined by the executive committee and in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Article VII: Bylaws

The Club may establish additional bylaws to govern specific operational procedures, membership categories, fees, and other matters as necessary. Bylaws may be adopted, amended, or repealed by a majority vote of the executive committee.

Article VIII: Ratification

This constitution shall be ratified by a majority vote of the members present at a regular meeting and shall take effect immediately upon ratification.

Approved and Adopted on 1st June, 2023.

Chairman
Tobias Cannon

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Treasurer & Club Welfare Officer
Jamie Perridge

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Secretary
James Harrison

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