

BROMSGROVE AND REDDITCH RAIL USER PARTNERTSHIP (BARRUP)

RULES & CONSTITUTION

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1. The group will be known as the Bromsgrove and Redditch Rail User Partnership or its abbreviations BARRUP.
2. Its object is to promote the interests of those who use rail facilities at Bromsgrove, Redditch, Alvechurch and Barnt Green.

MEMBERS & SUBSCRIPTIONS

3. There is one class of ordinary individual membership.
4. Applications for membership will be subject to the approval of the Membership Secretary and payment of the annual subscription.
5. An annual subscription for membership will be due and payable on 1st January each year. New members approved on or after 1st November will be deemed to have paid their membership for the whole of the following year.
6. Any member whose subscription is 3 months overdue shall be deemed to have retired from membership.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

7. The Group will be managed by a committee which consists of officers elected at an annual general meeting (AGM).
8. Officers must be members and will be elected to the following positions: Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary, Webmaster, Publicity Officer and Stakeholder Liaison, Station Representatives.
9. New officer positions may be created and new officers co-opted pending ratification at the next AGM.
10. The Committee will meet once a year as a minimum and will require a quorum of 3 individuals which must include 2 individuals holding the positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary or Treasurer.
11. Bank accounts in the name of the Partnership will have a mandate with a minimum of 2 committee members as signatories.

STATION REPRESENTATIVES

12. Station Representatives will be elected at an AGM for each of Bromsgrove, Redditch, Alvechurch and Barnt Green stations.
13. Stations Representatives will be committee members who act as the focal point for the interests of those using their respective stations.
14. Station representatives will give an update at ordinary member meetings.

MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

15. The frequency of members' meetings will be determined by the committee to reflect both the demand of its members and/or the importance of items to be placed on the agenda.
16. A minimum of 2 meetings will be held each year.
17. The meeting quorum is 4 which must include 2 individuals who hold the positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer or Station Representative.
18. An Annual General Meeting will be held on the first meeting scheduled after 1st February.
19. Agenda items for the AGM must be submitted to the Secretary 7 days prior to the meeting.
20. A report for the previous year with the accounts will be presented to the AGM. Officers for the forthcoming year will be elected at the AGM.
21. A majority vote at meetings will be decisive. In the event of an equal numbers of votes, the chairman shall have the casting vote.
22. The chairman shall have the right to adjourn meetings subject to reasons which must be documented and circulated within 7 days of any adjournment.

INTERPRETATION OF RULES

23. Members shall abide by the rules in force at the time.
24. In the event of a dispute about the interpretation of the rules, the decision of the Committee will be final.
25. The Committee has the authority to suspend or expel, after proper enquiry, any member who is in breach of the rules and constitution or who acts contrary to the objectives of the Partnership.
26. These rules shall not be amended except at an AGM.

GENERAL

27. These rules will be posted on the Partnership's website.