

STOURPORT CAMERA CLUB **CONSTITUTION**

1. The name of the Club shall be STOURPORT CAMERA CLUB and it shall be affiliated to the Midlands Counties Photographic Federation.
2. Object. To further the interest of Photography.
3. Membership of the Club implies the undertaking to comply with and abide by all the club rules.
4. The affairs of the Club shall be managed by a Committee consisting of a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and five other members, all of which shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
5. A quorum at Committee Meetings shall be deemed as five members present to include at least one officer, Chairman, Vice Chairman or Secretary.
6. Any committee Member missing three meetings without notice, shall be considered as retired, unless there are extenuating circumstances.
7. The Committee shall have the power to co-opt any member for special purposes.
8. The Officers and Committee shall retire annually.
9. The Secretary shall ensure that the minutes are taken of all Committee meetings and shall conduct the correspondence of the club.
10. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the collection of all subscriptions and other monies.
11. The club shall hold weekly meetings on a Thursday, or as decided by the Committee.
12. The Annual General Meeting shall be held during November. Extraordinary meetings may be convened by the committee or on a requisition signed by at least 25% of the ordinary members stating the object and sent to the Secretary at least 14 days before the date proposed.
13. Subscriptions for the coming year shall be determined by the Committee and notified two months before the Annual General Meeting. Students will pay half price. New members joining throughout the year will pay pro rata.
14. All subscriptions are due by the 31st January and must be paid by that date. Any member not having paid by that date may be deemed to be no longer a member and not be able to use the Club facilities.
15. All expenses incurred must be made in the name of Stourport Camera Club and not in the name of individuals. The Club will not be responsible for any debt not made in it's name, howsoever incurred. Any expense in excess of

£50.00 must have the approval of the Treasurer and three Committee Members.

16. The Club shall insure itself against any claim for damages made by a third party.
17. The Committee shall reserve the right to refuse any membership when deemed necessary.
18. A member may be expelled or asked to resign from the Club at the decision of the Committee. The Committee can request a member to appear before it, provided that, where any accusation or charge is made, the member shall be given full and reasonable opportunity to put forward a defence and to bring witnesses at a later meeting. Any member expelled or asked to resign shall have the right to appeal to a Special General Meeting called for this purpose. All Committee proceedings and those of any Special General Meeting called under this rule shall be treated as privileged and confidential.
19. In the event of dissolution, a Special General Meeting shall be called to put the facts before the membership. All assets and cash balances shall be frozen for a period of six months from the meeting, during which time a sub-committee consisting of the Treasurer and two members shall endeavour to avoid closure. If at the end of that time no solution is found, then the sub-committee shall collect all outstanding monies, realise all assets, settle any outstanding debts and prepare a set of accounts and a report for all the members. The funds left in hand in any account in the name of Stourport Camera Club shall be divided equally between the fully paid up members as at the date of the last Club meeting before the dissolution meeting.
20. All assets of the Club shall be vested in the Committee for the time being.
21. No addition or alteration to these rules shall be made except by the Annual General Meeting or by an Extraordinary Meeting called for that purpose.

Annual General Meeting - 13th November 2014