



GENERAL RULES MARCH 2017

1. NAME AND OBJECTIVES

- a) The name of the society shall be the Heswall Artists Association
- b) The objectives of the Association are
 - To encourage the appreciation of art
 - To provide facilities for those interested in the practice of visual arts, to meet and work together when practicable.
 - To promote exhibitions of works of arts and crafts.

2. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

- a) The following officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Association, normally for a period of three years. President, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Hon Secretary, Hon Treasurer, Hon Exhibition Manager
- b) A Committee elected at the AGM shall consist of a minimum of 6, each of whom shall retire after three years and may offer themselves for reelection.
- c) The Officers and Committee shall have the entire direction of the management of the Association and the disposition of its funds, subject to the order and control of the Association in a General meeting.
- d) A special General Meeting may be summoned by direction of the Committee or at the written request to the Committee by at least ten members.
- e) The Hon Secretary shall convene, attend and take the minutes of all General and Committee meetings in addition to conducting the correspondence of the Association. On retirement from Office all papers and documentation belonging to the Association shall be passed to the incoming Secretary.

3. FINANCE

- a) The financial year of the Association shall terminate on the 31st August. The AGM will be held as soon as practicable when accounts will be presented.
- b) The Hon Treasurer will be responsible for all monies received by the Association, shall discharge liabilities of the Association, as authorised by the Committee, keep proper books of account and prepare and submit to the AGM an annual financial statement.
- c) Banking accounts shall be maintained in the name of Heswall Artists Association and the Committee shall by resolution authorise cheques to be signed by the Treasurer.
- d) On the winding up of the Association any remaining assets shall be distributed as follows
 - 25% to Cancer Research UK
 - 25% to Clatterbridge Oncology Centre
 - 25% to the Mayor of Wirral's charity
 - 25% to another charity chosen by the President of the Association

4. MEMBERSHIP

- a) There shall be Full and Joint Membership.
- b) Joint membership shall be relevant where two members reside at the same address and shall be eligible for a slightly lower subscription charge.
- c) All members shall pay annual subscriptions at a level decided by the Committee and its Officers.
- d) All subscriptions are due on the 1st September and any member not paying within 6 months of that date, will, unless there are exceptional circumstances, deemed to have resigned.
- e) Existing Hon. Life members are not liable for subscription charges.

5. EXHIBITION RULES

- a) The Association shall organise an Annual Exhibition at a time and place decided by the Committee.
- b) Exhibition rules shall be provided to all members, with application forms for the Exhibition

6. RULE CHANGES

Alterations to any of these Rules may be made at a General Meeting.