

ELHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY CONSTITUTION

Issue 3

1. Its name shall be The Elham Historical Society.
2. Its objects shall be the study of history in the Elham area.
3. The Society shall pursue the above aims under the guidance of Officers and a committee to be elected annually by members. At the AGM the society accounts will be presented to members for examination and approval.
4. The Officers shall consist of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary, and the Committee shall comprise all the Officers and not more than three ordinary members. The Committee shall have powers to co-opt additional members in furtherance of the aims of the Society as they deem fit.
5. The affairs of the Society and any property belonging to the Society shall be under the control of the Committee.
6. Membership is open to all who are interested in local history, in accordance with the aims expressed in Clause 2.
7. The annual subscription shall be fixed annually at the A.G.M. Subscriptions shall fall due during April each year.
8. Monies received by the Society shall be paid by the Treasurer into the Society's account at the NatWest Bank and any other depositories that the Committee shall deem fit.
9. Cheques drawn on the account of the Society shall be signed by any two of the following: the Chairman, the Treasurer, and the Secretary.
10. Three Officers will make a quorum at a Committee meeting.
11. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in the month of April and at least 21 days notice of the date shall be given to members. Notice of motions for inclusion on the agenda - including any motions to amend the constitution and nominations for Officers - shall be in the hands of the Secretary 14 days prior to the meeting.
12. Extraordinary General Meetings may be called by the Committee or by a written request to the Chairman from 10 members or 25% of the total membership for that year, whichever is the greater amount. E.G.M's are to be called within one month from the date of receipt by the Chairman of a valid request.
13. Decisions on all motions at General Meetings will be made by a simple majority vote of members present. The Chairman of the meeting to have a casting vote if any vote taken should result in a tie.

Constitution approved at the Elham Historical Society A.G.M. on 9th April 2011.