

HATHERSAGE FILM CLUB - CONSTITUTION – AUGUST 2011

1. NAME

The Society shall be known as Hathersage Film Club, referred to here as the Society.

2. OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Society is to advance the local public's knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the art of film. The Society will benefit the inhabitants of Hathersage and surrounding areas. It particularly recognises the difficulty some Members would experience in travelling to and from cinemas in Sheffield and Chesterfield.

3. MEMBERSHIP

Membership of the Society is open to anyone over the age of sixteen on payment of the current fee and at the discretion of the Committee. Membership of the Society shall entitle the holder to attendance at all Friday and Saturday film shows detailed in the general programme.

Only Members and their guests may be admitted to these film shows. A Member may purchase up to four tickets for the admission of guests. Only Members may buy guest tickets and they must do so at least 24 hours in advance of any Friday screening. Availability of tickets may be limited by the capacity of the venue. Hathersage Film Club may screen a series of Commercial films at other times for which an admission charge may be made.

4. MANAGEMENT

The Society shall be run by a Committee of at least 6 Members and no more than 10. The Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office until its successors are elected at the next AGM. The following office bearers shall be elected to the Committee:-

Chair (promoter)
Secretary
Membership Secretary
Treasurer
Programme Officer
Publicity Officer

The office bearers will be elected at the AGM. Should any office fall vacant the Committee may elect any eligible Society Member to the vacant position. All office bearers will be responsible to the AGM.
The business of the Annual General meeting shall be to:-

Confirm the minutes of the last Annual General Meeting and any Committee Meeting minutes held since the last Annual General Meeting
Receive the audited accounts from the Treasurer.
Receive the annual report of the Committee from the Secretary.
Elect the Officers of the Society

AGM's will be held at most 14 months apart. A Special General Meeting may be called at any time by the Committee or upon written request being made to the Committee by at least 3 Members. The quorum for General Meetings shall be 6 Members and for Committee Meetings 3.

5. POLICY

The Society will be non-political and will adopt a policy of equality regardless of gender, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, age or religion.

6. FINANCE

The Society shall not be run for the profit of a Member or Members. No Members or Committee Members shall receive payment for their services or for anything other than legitimate expenses incurred in work for the Society. Any profit made by the club will be distributed between local groups including: Clubs, Societies, Charities and other Community Organisations. A proportion of any profit will also be allocated for replacement costs of any tools or equipment used in the running of the Film Club. The apportionment of profit (if any) will be agreed by the committee at the AGM.

In the event of the Society winding up, any equipment will be returned to the Memorial Hall Committee. Any remaining funds (following the payment of any outstanding creditors) will be passed to local groups as mentioned above.