

YORKSHIRE COUNTY PARKS BOWLS ASSOCIATION

BYE LAWS

1. Title

The title of the Association shall be the 'Yorkshire County Parks Bowls Association'. It shall be affiliated to the British Parks Crown Green Bowling Association (BPCGBA), providing they affiliate to the British Crown Green Bowling Association (BCGBA).

2. Objectives

- a) The encouragement of Inter County/District/Club matches and Individual competitions.
- b) The promotion of the interests, welfare and advancement of the game of bowls and the creation of a spirit of goodwill and friendship.

3. Management

Officers – the Officers shall be President, Chairman, Secretary, Competitions Secretary and Treasurer.

Executive Council – the Governing body shall consist of the Officers and one Delegate from each District, each of whom shall be entitled to one vote at Executive Council meetings.

Meetings – shall be convened at any time. Any District not represented at Executive Council meetings or the AGM shall be fined £25.

4. Affiliations

Districts and Clubs. The fees shall be decided by the Executive Council and notified to Districts and Clubs not later than 30 September the preceding year.

5. Finance

The accounts of the Association shall be audited annually by two persons who must not be Officers of the Association. The financial year shall end on the 31 October and copies of the balance sheet shall be issued at or before the AGM. Affiliation fees must be received from Districts and Clubs not later than 31 January each year.

6. Nominations and Changes to Bye Laws & Competition Rules

Nominations for the Officers and Auditors shall be submitted by Districts in writing and received by the Secretary not less than 28 days prior to the AGM. Notice of any proposed alterations or additions to the Bye Laws or Competition Rules must be submitted in writing by Districts to the Secretary not less than 28 days prior to the AGM. The Executive Council may also submit proposals.

A list of nominations and proposals shall be sent by the Secretary to all Districts not later than 14 days prior to the AGM. Proposals submitted as above in accordance with Bye Law 7 shall require a majority of votes cast in order to be approved. An amendment may be incorporated into a notified proposal providing there is a simple majority in favour. The Chair of the meeting shall exercise a casting vote when necessary.

7. Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The AGM shall be held in the month of November at a date, time and venue set by the Executive Council. It shall be open to Districts, Clubs and Life Members who will each have one vote.

The purpose shall be the Election of Officers, adoption of the Annual Reports and Balance Sheet and voting on any proposed alterations or additions to the Bye Laws and Competition Rules.

8. Authority

Each District Association shall be furnished with a copy of the Association's Bye Laws and Competition Rules and be bound thereby. In case of any wilful infringement of the same by any District, Club or Member, the Executive Council shall impose such penalty as they deem necessary.

The Executive Council shall be empowered to decide on all matters and on any points not covered by the Bye Laws and Competition Rules.