

GUILD OF GAMING CONSTITUTION



1. Name

The name of the club shall be "Guild of Gaming" (hereinafter referred to as "the Club").

2. Aims and Objectives

The aims and objectives of the Club are:

1. To provide a safe, inclusive, and welcoming environment for individuals interested in tabletop games, including but not limited to Warhammer, Magic: The Gathering, Dungeons and Dragons, Marvel Crisis Protocol, and various board games.
2. To promote social inclusion, mental well-being, and community building, particularly for young people who may face social isolation or anxiety.
3. To encourage mentorship and positive role modeling by ensuring that older members foster an ethos of guidance and support for younger members.
4. To create a space where neurodiverse and LGBTQ+ individuals feel safe and included.
5. To operate on a not-for-profit basis, ensuring that any funds generated are used solely for the advancement of the Club's objectives.

3. Membership

1. The Club offers support, encouragement, and introductory sessions for young people up to the age of 25. We also welcome older members, provided they understand that the primary mission of the Club is to support younger members in accessing the hobby.
2. Children under the age of 15 must be accompanied by their parents or guardians as a safeguarding measure for the entire duration of the Club's opening hours.
3. Adults older than 25 are welcome to join, provided they understand the Club's primary mission is to support young people. They are expected to act as mentors and positive role models in alignment with the Club's ethos.
4. All members must adhere to the Club's Code of Conduct, which emphasizes respect, kindness, and inclusion.
5. Membership fees (if any) shall be set by the Committee and reviewed annually.

4. Committee

The Club shall be managed by a Committee consisting of the following officers:

- President: To provide leadership, chair meetings, and represent the Club in external matters.
- Vice President: To assist the President and take on their responsibilities in their absence.
- Treasurer: To manage the Club's finances, maintain accurate records, and prepare financial reports.
- Secretary: To keep minutes of all meetings, manage correspondence, and maintain the Club's records.

- Founder: Club Founder Danny Bennet is granted a permanent position on the Committee and has veto power over major decisions affecting the club's long-term direction. This role is to ensure the club follows a set path, maintains consistent goals aligned with the club's ethos and mission statement, and ensures continuity of vision and funding. The Founder is not subject to annual elections and has a long-term appointment to maintain consistency in leadership.

Committee members, with the exception of the Founder, shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and shall serve a term of one year, with the option for re-election.

5. Meetings

1. Annual General Meeting (AGM): Held annually, with members given at least 21 days' notice. The AGM will review the Club's activities, present financial reports, and elect the Committee for the following year.
2. Extraordinary General Meetings (EGM): Can be called by the Committee or 20% of members, with at least 14 days' notice.
3. Committee Meetings: Shall take place regularly as required to manage the Club's affairs. A quorum of 50% of Committee members is required for decisions.

6. Finance

1. The Club shall operate on a not-for-profit basis, with all funds used to further its objectives.
2. The Treasurer shall maintain financial records and present a report at each AGM.
3. In the event of dissolution, any remaining funds shall be donated to a charitable organization with similar aims, as agreed by members.

7. Code of Conduct

All members, particularly adults, are expected to act as mentors, fostering a positive and inclusive environment. Discrimination, bullying, or any harmful behavior will not be tolerated.