



Northwich Rugby Union Football Club Junior Section Constitution

1. Name

The name of the group shall be the Northwich RUFC Junior Section. Hereinafter referred to as the 'Junior Section'.

2. Aims & Objectives

The Junior Section has the following aims and objectives:

- To introduce the young people of Vale Royal aged between 5 and 18 to the game of rugby & to teach them its skills and laws.
- To provide a safe and equitable environment for them to learn, train and play the game.
- To develop a sense of fair play and good sportsmanship by example.
- To make being a player at NRUFC fun and enjoyable.
- To develop adult players and/or life-long supporters of the game
- To promote the club within both the local and rugby community as a whole.

3. Membership

Membership of the Junior Section will consist of officers and members of the club. All members will be subject to the regulations of the constitution and by joining the club will be deemed to accept these regulations and codes of conduct that the club has adopted.

Members will be enrolled in one of the following categories:

- Family membership (1 or more players with parents automatically enrolled as full club members)
- Multi Player membership - 2 or more players from the same family
- Junior member

It shall be a condition of membership of the Club that:

- i) Any person who has not paid his subscription by October 31st shall not be permitted to play.
- ii) Any person who has not paid his subscription by October 31st shall not be allowed to use the Club facilities



The annual membership fees will be reviewed and agreed for the following season at the full Northwich RUFC Annual General meeting.

4. Officers of the Junior Section

The officers of the Junior Section will consist of the following positions:-

- Junior Chairman
- Secretary
- Head Coach
- Treasurer
- Fixtures Secretary
- Publicity Officer
- Junior Coaches

The Committee of Northwich RUFC will elect the Junior Chairman. In turn the Junior chairman annually invites members of the club, coaches or parents to fulfil the above roles.

5. Committee

The Junior Section will be managed via both regular full committee meetings where all Junior Section officers are invited to participate meetings as well as smaller management committee meetings. The management committee consists the following Junior Section officers :-

- Junior Chairman
- Secretary
- Head Coach
- Publicity Officer

The committee meetings will be convened by the Secretary of the club and held no less than 6 times per year. An agenda and minutes of the meetings will be taken and distributed to all officers.

6. Powers

In furtherance of the above aims and objectives the Junior Section Committee will have the following powers:-

- To raise funds and apply for; invite; obtain; collect and receive contributions from any other person or persons whatsoever by way of subscription; donations; grants provided that in raising funds



the Committee shall not undertake any permanent trading activities and shall conform to any relevant requirements of the law.

- The Management Committee will be responsible for adopting new policy, codes of conduct and rules that affect the organisation of the club.
- To employ, on such terms and conditions of employment as the group shall determine, any paid or voluntary workers to assist in the attainment of the objectives provided that no member of the Committee shall be a paid worker.
- To do all such other lawful requirements as to further the attainment of the objectives.

The Committee shall have the right :-

- i) To approve or reject applications for Junior Section membership.
- ii) For good and sufficient reason to terminate the membership of any members provided that the member concerned shall have the right to be heard by the Committee before final decision is made.

7. Finance

The Northwich RUFC Club Treasurer will be responsible for the finances of the Junior Section. The financial year of the club will commence 1st May and end 30th April. An audited statement of consolidated annual accounts will be presented by the Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting.

Any cheques drawn against club funds should hold the signatures of the Treasurer plus up to two other officers.

The Treasurer is authorised to open a bank account, receive monies, draw cheques and pay out cash on behalf of the Club and will keep a correct record of all incoming and outgoing monies in an acceptable form approved by the Club.

He will be required to present to the AGM a statement of receipts and expenditure for the preceding financial year and a balance sheet showing the assets and liabilities of the Junior Section as at the end of the financial year.



8 AGM

To be held at the end of each season, no later than the 4th Tuesday in May, 21 days notice having been given to all junior members.

9 Discipline and appeals

All complaints regarding the behaviour of members should be submitted in writing to the Secretary.

The Management Committee will meet to hear complaints within 7 days of a complaint being lodged. The committee has the power to take appropriate disciplinary action including the termination of membership. The outcome of a disciplinary hearing should be notified in writing to the person who lodged the complaint and the member against whom the complaint was made within 7 days of the hearing.

There will be the right of appeal to the Management Committee following disciplinary action being announced. The committee should consider the appeal within 7 days of the Secretary receiving the appeal.

10 Dissolution

A resolution to dissolve the Junior Section can only be passed at a Northwich RUFC AGM through a majority vote of the Northwich RUFC full club membership. Any assets or funds pertaining to the Junior Section will be absorbed into the Senior section, unless the whole club is being wound up and then the rules for dissolution detailed in the constitution of the full club will apply.

11 Amendments to the constitution

The constitution will only be changed through agreement by majority vote of the Junior Section committee and Northwich RUFC chairman.