

The Allanian Society

Constitution

- 1) The name of the association is The Allanian Society (hereinafter called 'the Society').
- 2) The Society replaces the Old Allanians Association.
- 3) The objects of the Society are:
 - a) To support Dame Allan's Schools in any way that is reasonably practicable.
 - b) To bring together current and former pupils of Dame Allan's Schools and to afford them opportunities for meeting
- 4) Membership of the Society:
 - a) Membership of the Society shall be open to all current and former pupils of Dame Allan's Schools, to all present and past members of staff of Dame Allan's Schools and all past and present governors of Dame Allan's Schools.
 - b) Full Members receive full voting rights in General Meeting after the end of the academic year in which they become eighteen years of age.
 - c) All persons who, at the date of the adoption of this constitution, are members of the Old Allanians Association will automatically become Full Members of the Society without payment of any further subscription.
 - d) All persons who, at the date of the adoption of this constitution, are Honorary Members of the Old Allanians Association will automatically become Honorary Members of the Society.
 - e) All other former pupils and present and past members of staff and present and past governors may become members of the Society on payment of such subscription as the society shall from time to time decide in General Meeting (which term where the context so admits shall include the Annual General Meeting).
 - f) The Board (referred to in clause 5) may give remission of all or part of membership subscriptions, both for Associate Membership and Full Membership, after advice from the Schools. This is to avoid hardship. The Board must declare at General Meeting the value of full or partial subscriptions waived in this way.
 - g) All current pupils at the schools shall be Associate Members of the Society on payment of such subscription as the Board (referred to in clause 5) shall from time to time decide. The subscription for associate membership may be nil.
 - h) The Board (referred to in clause 5) may elect such persons as it thinks fit to be Honorary Members of the Society. A General Meeting of the

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- i) Honorary Life Vice-Presidents of the Society may be elected in General Meeting or elected by the Board (referred to in clause 5).
- 5) The Board of the Society
 - a) The business of the Society shall be conducted by a committee (hereinafter called 'the Board')
 - b) The Board shall consist of not less than 12 full members of the Society as elected at General Meeting, from among whose number the President is to be elected at General Meeting, 4 students nominated by the Principal, 2 teachers nominated by the Principal, 1 governor nominated by the Governing Body, The Principal, the Bursar and the Chairperson of DASPA, all ex officio and for the time being.
 - c) The Officers of the Society shall be a President, an Honorary Treasurer, an Honorary Assistant Treasurer, and such other officers, including Vice-Presidents, as shall be decided in General Meeting. All Officers shall be elected at General Meeting.
 - d) The Board shall have the power of co-option.
 - e) The Board may appoint such Honorary Secretaries from among their number as they see fit to conduct the business of the Society.
- 6) Annual General Meeting
 - a) An Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held each calendar year and there shall not be more than fifteen calendar months between successive Annual General Meetings.
 - b) The Annual General Meeting shall elect the Officers referred to in clause (5c) of this constitution and the Board Members referred to in clause (5b) of this constitution, and shall transact other such business as it thinks fit.
- 7) The Annual General Meeting or, in the absence of a decision at an Annual General Meeting, the Board may appoint such sub-committees and/or working groups as it thinks fit to conduct the business of the Society.
- 8) The assets and liabilities of the Old Allanians Association at the date of the adoption of this constitution shall become the assets and liabilities of the Society under the control of the Honorary Treasurer who shall work under the direction of the Board.
- 9) The Board may call a General Meeting of the Society (in addition to the Annual General Meeting) should it consider such General Meeting to be in the interests of the Society, and at least 28 days notice shall be given to each member of the date, time and place of the Annual General Meeting and of any General Meeting so called.

- 10) The quorum at General Meetings (including the Annual General Meeting) shall be 20 and the quorum at Board Meetings shall be one quarter of the total number of Board Members.
- 11) This constitution may be amended at a General Meeting provided that any amendment is carried by a simple majority of those present and voting. The Board has the authority to issue a postal ballot if it thinks fit.
- 12) The Society may be dissolved by a resolution passed by three-quarters majority of those present and voting at a General Meeting of the Society called for the purpose and for which at least 28 days notice shall have been given to each member.
- 13) In the event of the dissolution of the Society the assets and liabilities of the Society shall be applied in such manner as the Board shall decide and as be consistent with the objects of the Society.