

**Much Marcle Gardeners' Club
Constitution
Last revised January 2010**

1. Name

1.1. The club shall be called Much Marcle Gardeners' Club

2. Aims

2.1. The aim of the club is to increase members' enjoyment of gardening

3. Membership

3.1. Anyone may be a member of the club

3.2. The Committee reserves the right to refuse or to cancel membership

3.3. The membership fee shall be set at the Annual General Meeting

3.4. The membership year shall commence on 1st October

3.5. Honorary Life Membership

3.5.1. An Honorary Life Member is a person who has been elected to such membership by a motion supported by not less than two-thirds of the members present and voting at an Annual General Meeting, in recognition of the person's outstanding service to the Club.

3.5.2. Honorary Life Members shall not be required to pay any membership subscriptions or meeting entrance fees, except for visits where fees are due to outside agencies.

4. Officers

4.1 The officers of the club shall be: chairman, vice-chairman, secretary, treasurer, events secretary

4.2 With the exception of the vice-chairman, officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. The vice-chairman will be elected by the Committee, from the membership of the Committee, at the first Committee meeting following the AGM.

4.3 Officers are elected for three years and may serve for no more than two terms of three years consecutively

5. Committee

5.1. The Committee shall consist of the officers and two other members elected at the Annual General Meeting

5.2. The Committee shall have the right to co-opt other members to fill vacancies as necessary or for any specific purposes, such that the Committee shall not exceed a total of nine members

5.3. The quorum for a Committee meeting shall be 50% of the membership of the Committee.

6. Annual General Meeting

6.1. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in January of each year.

6.2. Changes to the Constitution may only be made at the Annual General Meeting

6.3. Proposals to change the constitution must be made in writing to the Secretary at least three weeks before the date of the AGM.

7. Extraordinary General Meeting

7.1. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called with the support of 15% of the current membership.

8. Finances

- 8.1. All monies shall be held in the name of the club.
- 8.2. The Committee shall determine in which bank account the money shall be held.
- 8.3. Cheques shall be signed by two signatories from a list of three agreed signatories.
- 8.4. If the club is dissolved, any money or assets remaining after debts and other liabilities have been paid, shall be donated to a horticultural charity determined by the Committee in office at the time that the club is dissolved.