# baildon runners

## Club Rules and Constitution

### Name:

a This shall be **BAILDON RUNNERS**.

### Objects:

a To promote running at all levels in the Baildon area.

**3. Club equity statement**

**THIS CLUB IS COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT EQUITY IS INCORPORATED ACROSS ALL ASPECTS OF ITS DEVELOPMENT.**

* The club respects the rights, dignity and worth of every person and will treat everyone equally within the context of their sport, regardless of age, ability, gender, race, ethnicity, religious belief, sexuality or socio/economic status.
* The club is committed to everyone having the right to enjoy their sport in an environment free from threat of intimidation, harassment and abuse.
* All club members have a responsibility to oppose discriminatory behaviour and promote equality of opportunity.
* The club will deal with any incidence of discriminatory behaviour seriously, according to club disciplinary procedures.

### Membership:

a The club to consist of amateurs as defined by UK Athletics.

b Each member shall pay a subscription decided at the Annual General Meeting [AGM].

c Subscriptions must be paid for the current year before the member can compete for the club except where the Management Committee of the Club choose to waive this rule.

d To resign, the member must inform the Club Secretary in writing.

e Any member guilty of misconduct (i.e. behaviour contrary to the Constitution) may be cautioned once, or expelled from the club, by a majority decision of the Management Committee. Any person expelled will have the right to appeal to the Management Committee meeting, called at his/her request, not later than two weeks from the expulsion.

f All fully paid members to be registered with England Athletics or any successor organisation. No member will be registered until their subscriptions are fully paid or deemed to be paid by the Management Committee.

### Social Membership

a Those who support the Club and use the Club’s facilities on a regular basis are deemed to be Social Members and are, therefore, liable to pay a proportion of the subscription rate. Such Social Members shall not be eligible to enter races, or otherwise compete, under the name of Baildon Runners.

### Management

a The Management Committee shall consist of a Club Secretary, Club Treasurer plus a minimum of three other members. The Management Committee shall be elected at an AGM subject to paragraph (f) and (g) below in the Management section.

b The members holding the post of Club Secretary and Club Treasurer shall be elected at the AGM by the membership.

c The Management Committee shall meet at least six times per year.

d A quorum for the Management Committee shall be three.

e The Management Committee shall remain in office until the AGM of the following year.

f At the AGM a minimum of two ordinary members, Club Secretary and Club Treasurer shall retire.

g The non‑post holder(s) of the Management Committee to retire in every year shall be those who have held office the longest. Retiring officials may offer themselves for re‑election.

h The Management Committee shall have the power to fill vacancies as they arise.

i All decisions shall be by majority vote.

j The Management Committee has the power to co‑opt extra members, to create trustees, and to form a sub‑committee as and when considered necessary.

k An Auditor(s), who must not be a Management Committee member, must be elected by the AGM.

l The Management Committee, by a two thirds majority at a quorum meeting, may propose amendment(s) to the Constitution. The changes may be made only at the AGM or an Extra‑ordinary General Meeting [EGM] called for that purpose. Four weeks’ notice must be given for an EGM. A quorum consists of one third of the membership. If the motion is passed by a two thirds majority the amendment to the Constitution will be adopted.

m Alternatively, ten ordinary paid up and voting members may petition the Club Secretary in writing to call an EGM in which the condition (l) above will apply with respect to calling and voting at it.

n Voting rights at the AGM pertain.

**6. Annual General Meeting**

a The AGM shall be held in March and the following business shall be undertaken:

1. The report will be read and discussed.
2. The audited accounts will be presented.
3. To elect members of the Management Committee (insofar as they shall be subject to election).
4. To elect an Auditor.
5. Any other Business, at the Chairperson’s discretion.

b Motions to be discussed must be submitted in writing to the Club Secretary at least two weeks before the meeting.

c Standing Orders or Rules may be changed by a two thirds majority decision.

d A quorum for an Annual General Meeting shall be 15% of first claim running members.

e Only members over eighteen years of age will be eligible to vote.

f Only first claim members shall have voting rights at an AGM or EGM

**7. Club Colours**

a The colours of the club shall be red and blue.

b Club colours shall be worn by all competitors representing the Club at every competitive meeting.

**8. Dissolution**

a The Management Committee, by a two thirds majority at a quorum meeting, may decide to dissolve the Club. They must call an EGM, giving four weeks notice to all members. If the motion is passed by a two thirds majority the Club is the dissolved.

b Alternatively ten ordinary paid up and voting members may petition the Club Secretary in writing to call an EGM in which the conditions in (a) above will apply with respect to calling the meeting and voting at it.

c Voting rights at the AGM pertain.

d Any surplus funds to be donated to charity, as agreed at the final EGM.

This Constitution was adopted at a Meeting held on 20 March 2008.

Latest amendment 15/3/18

LINDA CAREY

Club Secretary

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Elected Member