

Youth United Constitution

1. **The club** shall be called Youth United
2. **The aims** of the club shall be to enable the social, personal and character development of young people, in the age range of eight to eighteen years, through a programme of education and activities; with the object of empowering those young people to make informal and sound decisions affecting their lives, whatever may be the range of socio/economic factors which affect them, others and our community
3. **Membership** of the club shall be available to young people in the stated age range, regardless of race, colour, religion or social background, subject to acceptable standards of behaviour at all times. There will be no positive discrimination
4. **The Club shall be managed** by a Management Committee consisting of: a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and as many members and parents as they may, from time to time, decide to co-opt
5. **The duties of the Management Committee** shall be: To undertake the overall supervision of, and responsibility for, financial affairs, staffing, the provision of premises and equipment, and the general conduct of Club affairs for the benefit of the members. To appoint and support a Club Leader. To agree a programme of activities arranged by the Leader in accordance with the aims and objectives of the Club. To assist the Leader and make such decisions as may be necessary for the general good management of the club. To ensure that equal opportunities and racial harmony are practiced with regard to Members, Staff and the Leader. In the event of the closure of the Club, to consult with the Leader and, if appropriate, the C.A.Y.S. Officer of the Local Education Authority, on the steps to be taken to wind up the affairs of the Club
6. **The Leader, or a deputy, shall attend**, and be required to give a report to, all meetings of the Management Committee
7. **The Management Committee** may appoint sub-committees as they see necessary; and delegate, to such sub-committees, executive powers within terms of reference laid down by the main committee
8. **The Leader**, or any sub-committee, shall not incur any liability or expenditure exceeding £100 on any one item, or particular occasion, without the consent of the Management Committee
9. **No member**, or group of members, may make any commitment, or incur any expenditure, without the express permission of the Leader
10. **An Annual General Meeting** shall be called by the Management Committee once a year, and shall be open to the public. At this meeting the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected, or confirmed, and an audited Statement of Accounts shall be presented
11. **A Quorum** for any type of meeting shall consist of one third of all those who could be expected to attend. If any person fails to attend three consecutive meetings without reasonable cause, that person shall automatically be deemed to have retired
12. **This constitution** shall only be altered or amended by a resolution put to, and passed by, the Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting; and which must be entered into the minutes of the meeting