# Poulton-le-Fylde Photographic Society

Affiliated to the Lancashire and Cheshire Photographic Union

# **CONSTITUTION AND RULES**

### 1. <u>NAME</u>

The Society will be known as the Poulton-le-Fylde Photographic Society.

# 2. OBJECT

The object of the Society is to stimulate all aspects of photography, by the exchanging of ideas and provision of mutual assistance amongst members, as well as organising and holding lectures, demonstrations, exhibitions etc.. The Society will endeavour to record items of local historic interest.

## 3. MEMBERSHIP

Members will be accepted upon payment of a current subscription.

All members' children under sixteen years of age are eligible to attend any meeting of the Society, but without voting rights. They (and Junior Members) may enter any competition.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Members and visitors under 18 years of age must be accompanied at all meetings and other events by a parent or guardian, or an adult with the specific agreement of the parent/guardian, who will be responsible for their safety at all times.

#### 4. SUBSCRIPTIONS

The annual subscription shall be fixed for the following year at the Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting. It shall be payable in advance from the Annual General Meeting and must be paid before the thirty-first day of October. No person shall take part in a Society competition or exhibition unless their subscription has been paid up to date.

# 5. ORGANISATION

The officers of the Society shall consist of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Syllabus Secretary and such assistant officers as may from time to time be decided : all to be elected each year at the Annual General Meeting.

#### 6. MANAGEMENT

The affairs of the Society shall be managed by a committee consisting of the Officers, the immediate past Chairman and up to four elected ordinary members. Five persons constitute a quorum.

The management committee may co-opt members as required.

<sup>3</sup>The affairs of the Society shall be managed solely in pursuit of the Society's Object. Any affairs that fall outside of the Object that require non-minor financial expenditure, shall be approved by a majority of the members present at a General Meeting prior to commitment of said expenditure.

#### 7. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held on the nearest convenient date, falling on a Society meeting evening, to the 30th day of June each year. The business shall include: minutes of the previous AGM, annual reports of the Committee, audited statement of accounts and balance sheet, election of Chairman and Officers and the appointment of an auditor.

#### 8. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

Extraordinary General Meetings can be called at any time by the Committee, or on receipt of a requisition signed by not less than one quarter of the membership. Twenty-one days' notice must be given to all members of any Extraordinary General Meeting with all particulars of business to be transacted. No business other than that appearing on the notice of such a meeting shall be transacted.

#### 9. <u>RULES</u>

A copy of the rules shall be supplied to every member of the Society. No alterations to these rules shall be made except at an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting and carried by at least two thirds of the members present at the meeting.

#### 10. PROPOSITIONS

Propositions for discussion at Annual General Meetings shall not be accepted unless given to the Hon. Secretary twenty one days before the date of the meeting, signed by two members of the Society as proposer and seconder.

#### 11. EMERGENCIES

In the event of anything arising not provided for or not clear in the foregoing rules, the Committee shall have the power to deal with the same at their discretion.

#### 12. DISSOLUTION

The Society may be dissolved only by the consent of three quarters of the members present at a Extraordinary General Meeting called for that purpose. Such a meeting shall appoint a liquidator and decide on the disposal of all Society funds and assets.

<sup>1</sup> Revised 16 June 2005

- <sup>2</sup> Revised 17 June 2010
- <sup>3</sup> Revised 30 September 2021