

Constitution Of Bikers Ride Out For Prens

1. Name: Bikers Ride Out For Prens

2. Main Object: the main object for which the body is established is to raise funds to purchase life saving and life maintaining equipment for our Neonatal Intensive Care Units and for Children's Hospitals by way of fundraising efforts.

3. Subsidiary Object(s): In furtherance exclusively of the foregoing main object, the body shall have the following subsidiary objects: In addition to the purchase of medical equipment for the Neonatal Units and children's hospitals we will also be helping parents of pre term and ill babies by providing the Units with breast pumps to benefit parents who are not in a position to hire these thus helping the pre term infant with breast milk which is essential to a premature baby as their intestines struggle to tolerate artificial milk. We also hope to act as a support to other charity's with the similar purposes.

4. Powers. To the extent that the same are essential or ancillary to the promotion of the Main object of the body as heretofore set out the body may exercise the following powers:

In order to carry out the organisation's purposes, the management committee have the power to:

- a) Raise funds, receive grants and donations
- b) Co-operate with and support other charities with similar purposes

5. Rules

- a) Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting to carry out the business of Bikers Ride Out For Prens
- b) The Committee shall have between [3] and [8] members.
- c) The Committee will be made up of a Director ,Trustees, Secretary and Treasurer. Roles can be given to other members as the Committee may decide.
- d) Vacancies on the Committee arising during the year can be filled by the Committee by co-opting members. These will be subject to ratification at the next committee meeting.
- e) Additional co-opted members not exceeding [3] may be appointed who in the opinion of the Committee have special skills or knowledge to contribute to the Bikers Ride Out For Prens.
- f) Any Officer or Committee member must declare any relevant personal interest. The Committee shall have the right to determine whether that member shall withdraw, or be allowed to speak but not vote, or be allowed to speak and vote.

- g) All members of Bikers Ride Out For Prems must work to protect the good name of Bikers Ride Out for Prems and not bring the organisation into disrepute

Meetings.

- a) There shall be a minimum of 2 meetings per year.
- b) There shall be an Annual General Meeting held within 15 months of the previous meeting.
- c) Not less than 21 day's notice of the meeting shall be given.
- d) Any person wishing to raise any matter for discussion shall give at least 7 day's notice in writing to the Secretary of the Committee.
- e) Voting at all meetings shall be by a show of hands by Full Members entitled to vote.
- f) A simple majority of votes shall carry a decision.
- g) Except for elections to the Committee the Chairperson of the meeting shall in the event of a tied vote have an extra casting vote.
- h) Persons can be nominated in their absence for any position on the Committee, providing that the nominee's consent is given.

6. Income and Property

The income and property of the body, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of its main object as set forth in this Constitution. No portion of the body's income and property shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit, to the members of the body. No Officer shall be appointed to any office of the body paid by salary or fees, or receive any remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth from the body. However, nothing shall prevent any payment in good faith by the body of:

- a) reasonable and proper remuneration to any member of the body (not being an Officer) for any services rendered to the body;
- b) interest at a rate not exceeding 5% per annum on money lent by Officers or other members of the body to the body;
- c) reasonable and proper rent for premises demised and let by any member of the body (including any Officer) to the body;
- d) reasonable and proper out-of-pocket expenses incurred by any Officer in connection with their attendance to any matter affecting the body;
- e) fees, remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth to any Company of which an Officer may be a member holding not more than one hundredth part of the issued capital of such Company.

7. Winding-up

The organisation may be dissolved at any time by a resolution passed by a two thirds majority of those present and voting at a special General meeting of the organisation, provided that any property remains after satisfaction of all debts or liabilities. Such property shall, with Committee approval, be given or transferred to such other institutions having objects similar to some or all of the objects of the organisation

8. Additions, alterations or amendments

No addition, alteration or amendment shall be made to or in the provisions of this Constitution for the time being in force unless the same shall have been previously approved in writing by the Revenue Commissioners.

9. Keeping of Accounts

Annual audited accounts shall be kept and made available to the Revenue Commissioners on request.

- a) The Trustees shall keep proper accounts of all monies belonging to the Association. The Treasurer will be responsible for managing the financial affairs of the Association.
- b) All cheques drawn on the account must be signed by at least two Trustees.
- c) Annual [audited/independently examined] accounts shall be presented to the Association at the AGM.
- d) The funds shall be lodged in a bank approved by the Committee.
- a) The income of the organisation, shall be applied solely towards the objects/aims of the organisation and no payment shall be made to any member or honorary officer except the repayment of out of pocket expenses.

Signed: **Signed:**
Chairperson Secretary

Signed: **Date**
Treasurer