



COUNTY CONSTITUTION SELF CERTIFICATION

County _____

On behalf of the above County, I confirm to the English Bridge Union (EBU) that the following sections are present in our County Constitution:

- a. Management of the Association
- b. Membership of the Association
- c. Meeting of the members
- d. Members' Behaviour
- e. Affiliated clubs
- f. Amendments to the Constitution
- g. A schedule of disciplinary processes

I confirm that the Constitution includes the following provisions:

1. The requirement to follow the bye laws and articles, policies, rules and regulations of the EBU
2. That all individual members of the County must be members of the EBU
3. That all county affiliated clubs must be affiliated to the EBU
4. A definition of the Officers of the Association
5. A requirement to hold an Annual General Meeting and inform all members of such (by whatever means the County deems appropriate)
6. The ability for members to call an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) and the details surrounding such meetings.
7. The definition of a quorum for an AGM or EGM
8. A schedule of Disciplinary Processes which align with those set out in the EBU's Bye Laws and model county constitution.

I also confirm I have read and, as far as practicable, taken in to account the EBU's guidelines on corporate governance.

Signed _____

Date _____

Chairman

Signed _____

Date _____

Secretary

Corporate Governance Guidance continues on the next page....



The following links are to help counties follow best practice in corporate governance.

Useful references

- [1] Good Corporate Governance in the voluntary sector
http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/Library/guidance/good_governance_full.pdf
- [2] Clubs and Associations – what is Corporate Governance?
http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/assets/pubs/industry/corporate_governance_pres.pdf
- [3] Model County Constitution
http://www.ebu.co.uk/publications/Official_Documents/Model%20County%20Constitution%2026%20January%202012.doc
- [4] Model Club Constitution
http://www.ebu.co.uk/publications/Official_Documents/documents/Model%20Club%20Constitution%2021%20February%202012%20SB%20edit.doc
- [5] Companies Act 2006
http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2006/46/pdfs/ukpga_20060046_en.pdf
- [6] Definition of an unincorporated association
<http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/manuals/ctmanual/ctm41305.htm>
- [7] Unincorporated organisations and Corporation Tax
<http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/ct/clubs-charities-agents/clubs.htm>

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