Shepton Mallet Bowls Club Rules

1 The Title of the club be The Shepton Mallet Bowls Club.

2 The club shall be affiliated to Bowls England and the Somerset Bowls Association.

3 The object the club is to provide a green and other facilities for the game or Bowls.

4 Membership

4-1 Shall be open to the general Public.

4-2 Upon receipt of the annual subscription a person shall be deemed a member.

4-3 Membership subscriptions shall be agreed upon at the AGM or EGM.

4-3a Subscriptions will be due opening day.

4-3b Subscriptions for <u>new members</u> will be calculated pro-rata at time of joining.

4-3c <u>New bowlers will be offered special subscription rate to encourage membership</u>.

4-3d Disabled bowlers will be offered special subscription rate to reflect limits to their participation of events.

4-4 The Executive Committee shall have the absolute power to suspend or revoke membership as it may Consider appropriate.

4-5 The club shall have power to elect Honorary life members who have rendered special services to the benefit of the club. The names of those recommended shall be submitted to the AGM by the Executive Committee.

5 Administration.

5-1 The affairs of the club shall be conducted by an Executive Committee comprising of::-Chairperson, Hon. Secretary, Hon Treasurer. Presidents, Vice President, Captain, Vice-Captain (Ladies and mens).and Match Secretary.

5-2 The Executive Committee shall be empowered to co-opt other members as they feel necessary.

5-3 Five of the members ref 5-1 above shall be a quorum.

5-4 The Committee comprising ref 5-1 above shall be elected at the AGM.

6 The AGM of the club shall be held no later than the 30th November each year. All members shall be entitled to attend. Auditors shall be appointed.(Honorary Members may join in discussions but not vote).

7 EGM shall be called at the request of the majority of the Executive Committee or on written petition of at least 20 members, Notice of such EGM shall be posted on the club notice board giving at least 14 days notice.

- 8 Any additions or amendments to the club rules shall be affected only by resolutions passed by at least two- thirds of the votes cast by members at the AGM's or EGM's.
- 9. The Hon. Secretary shall record the business of Executive Committee and AGM.

10. The Hon. Treasurer shall make a financial statement to each meeting of the Executive Committee.

11. The Hon. Treasurer shall submit an audited statement of accounts made up to 30th

September to the AGM, copies of which shalt be available to every member attending.

12. The Shepton Mallet Tennis Club shall be allowed use of the area designated for Tennis and pay an amount to be agreed by the committee at a General Meeting. They will responsible for the upkeep of the Tennis Courts and the surrounding areas.

13. The club shall be opened and closed for the season as may be decided by the Executive Committee.

14. The Bar shall be licensed for the of intoxicating liquors to members of the Club and guests of members only and for the sale of intoxicating liquors to non members as referred below. 14-1 All members may personally introduce friends as their guests but no person who is eligible for membership shall be introduced more than once in any calendar month and no member may introduce more than two friends at anyone time. The member introducing them shall sign their names in a book kept for that purpose. The foregoing provisions of this rule shall not apply to the introduction by any member of his wife or other lady, admission of whom shall be subject to such regulations as may from time to time be made by the Committee. The following shall not be admitted as visitors.

(a) Former members who have been expelled.

(b) Persons who having been candidates for membership, but have been refused membership.

Members shall be responsible for the good behaviour of guests introduced by them during the period of their stay in the Club and in the event that a guest is removed from the Club premises for misconduct or Other cause the member introducing such guest may be dealt with by the Committee at its discretion.

14-2 There may be admitted to the Clubs registered premises persons other than members or their guests belonging to any of the classes specified in this rule and intoxicating liquor may be sold to such persons by or on behalf of the Club for consumption on the premises and not elsewhere. The classes of non-members who may be so admitted are as follows.

(a) any member/ supporter/ official of any visiting sporting team at a bona fide fixture.(b) Any person belonging or elected to an organisation attending a bona fide meeting at the clubs registered premises with the Committees prior approval.

(c) Any relative of a member who is on holiday/visiting! temporarily staying with a member or a members family for a period not exceeding 21days and nights.

(d) Persons attending special functions in the Clubs registered premises each function taking place with the Committees prior approval and are directly connected to a member of the Club or members family, for example, wedding receptions, birthdays, anniversaries funerals etc.

(e) On no more than 12 special occasions during the twelve month period in addition to (a)- (d) above, the club may sell intoxicating liquor for such special occasions as:-

1. Open days, whereby the club is open to the local community.

2. Senior Citizens parties and any other special function not covered above.

14-3. Intoxicating liquor may also be sold to employees for consumption on premises only.

14-4 Club Licence hours are as follows.

14-5. Monday to Frlday 10-00am to 22-30pm.

14-6. Saturday and Sunday 10-00am to 22-30pm.

15. Protection of Children and Vulnerable Persons.

15.1. Shepton Mallet Bowls Club is committed to promoting a safe environment in which children and vulnerable persons can enjoy taking part in the game of bowls. It will seek to underpin and ensure this commitment by following the joint Child Protection Policy and Procedures of the National Governing Bodies.

4-3e. Social Membership. Social members will have full access to all facilities and voting rights, bar those relating to the activity of bowling.

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