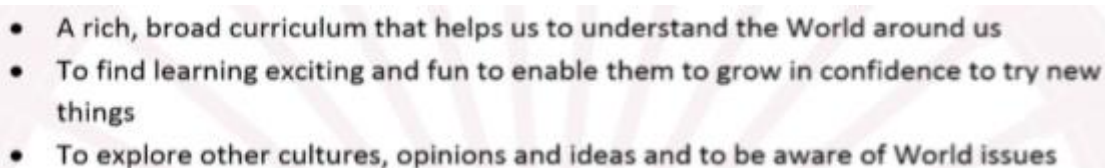


Friends of Ryton Junior School

Objectives

The objects of the Friends of Ryton Junior School constitution are:

- Help provide opportunities for families to get involved in quality-of-life activities at Ryton Federation
- Fundraise to support school with its objective to provide

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- A rich, broad curriculum that helps us to understand the World around us
 - To find learning exciting and fun to enable them to grow in confidence to try new things
 - To explore other cultures, opinions and ideas and to be aware of World issues

- Help to build partnerships with the wider community

Area of Benefit

The Ryton Federation School Community and partner projects from the local area

Powers

The Friends of Ryton Junior School have the power to recruit volunteers and staff, work in partnership with other organisations, lawfully raise (except permanent trading) and invest funds to further the objectives of the Friends of Ryton Junior School. The group can accept gifts with a general or specific purpose to achieve the objectives of the group. Friends of Ryton Junior School have the power to carry out anything within the law that promotes or helps to promote the objectives.

Membership

Membership is open to individuals who agree with the objectives. Each member has one vote.

The Group

The group shall be managed by no less than three and not more than twelve members. Group members shall stand from the end of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) that they were elected at

to the end of the next AGM. The group shall be represented by a Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. A group member can only fill one position. The group shall meet a minimum of three times a year and must keep a formal record of all meeting. The quorum for a group meeting is three members. Each member has one vote and if the vote is tied then the chair has a second casting vote. The group has the power to co-opt up to three members on to fill vacant places until the AGM. Each co-opted member has one vote.

General Meetings

The main contact must give 21 days' notice of a general meeting. Group members are entitled to attend and vote at the meeting. The quorum for a meeting is five members or a tenth of the membership (whichever is the greatest). A formal record of a general meeting shall be kept. The AGM will receive nominations for the Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer and will receive a report of the year's activities, and receive the years accounts. The committee members will be elected on a show of hands and serve from the end of the AGM to the end of the next AGM. The group can call a special meeting at any time. If five members request a SGM in writing, then the Chairperson must call one.

Finance

All funds belonging to or raised for Friends of Ryton Junior School must be used in furthering the objectives. The group must keep an account of all income and expenditure and shall present examined accounts at the AGM. An independent examiner who is not a member of the group shall be appointed to examine the accounts. There shall be one bank account in the name of the Friends of Ryton Junior School. Cheques and on-line payments must be signed by two unrelated group members. Members may claim reasonable out-of-pocket expenses on agreed terms. No other payments can be made to group members.

The income and property of the group whencesoever derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of its objects as set forth in this constitution. No portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise to the members or Committee of Management.

Changes to the constitution

This constitution can only be changed at a general meeting. The Chairperson must give twenty-one days' notice of the meeting to the members along with details of the proposed changes to the constitution. For the constitution to be changed over half the members at the meeting must agree.

Dissolution

The Friends of Ryton Junior School can only be dissolved at the AGM. The secretary must twenty-one days' notice of the meeting to all members, along with details of the proposed dissolution. For the group to be dissolved over half of the members present at the meeting must agree. If the member agree that the group should be dissolved, then any assets remaining after the clearing of all debts and liabilities should be given to any group with similar objectives. If this cannot be done, then assets should be donated to any charitable purpose.

A copy of this constitution shall be available to all members.

Members

Name	Position	Date	Signature
Helen Laybourne	Treasurer	9th Nov 2021	
Jeff Austen	Chairperson	9th Nov 2021	
Alison Cox	Secretary	9th Nov 2021	