THE KENYA SOCIETY CONSTITUTION

Objectives

1. The Kenya Society is a voluntary members' club with the following objectives -

(a) to provide a friendship network for anyone in the UK with an interest in Kenya;
(b) to provide a forum to promote understanding of the history of Kenya, relations between the UK and Kenya, and contemporary developments in Kenya, whether economic, political, social or cultural,
(c) to organise a programme of regular events to bring members together socially and to cover the wide range of topics noted above through talks, lectures, films and other activities,
(d) to promote links with other organisations with a focus on Kenya with a view to collaboration over events of mutual interest.

Membership

2. Individual membership is open to anyone who supports the objectives of the Society. Corporate membership is available to organisations which want to support the Society. Membership is conditional on payment of the appropriate annual subscription.

The Committee

3. The Committee is responsible for the following -

(a) organisation of events and activities for the benefit of members to promote the objectives of the Society;
(b) management of the financial affairs of the Society, including the setting and collection of subscriptions and the preparation of accounts;
(c) arrangement of the Annual General Meeting as well as Extraordinary General Meetings as and when considered necessary.
(d) communication with members on all matters relating to the Society;
(e) admission of members to the Society and, in exceptional circumstances, cancellation of membership.

4. The Committee is composed of up to 15 members of the Society elected at the Annual General Meeting and includes a Chair, Deputy Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. A member may serve on the Committee for a maximum period of three years at a time. After a further year, he/she becomes eligible to serve for another three-year term. The Committee may co-opt additional members as and when considered necessary.

General Meetings

5. The Annual General Meeting is held every year, with no more than fifteen months between each meeting, in order to -
(a) consider and approve the Annual Accounts for the previous year;
(b) elect members of the Committee;
(c) conduct any other business brought forward by the Committee or by individual members.

6. Extraordinary General Meetings may be convened by the Committee or at the reasonable request of individual members.

7. The Chair of the Society, or his/her nominated representative, presides over Annual and Extraordinary General Meetings and has the final say on procedural issues not covered by this Constitution. At least 21 days' notice is given of such meetings. A quorum consists of at least 15 members. Decisions are taken by majority vote of those attending and are binding on all members.

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