

Constitution of St Andrews Resident Golfers Association

Article I: Name

The name of the association is 'St Andrews Resident Golfers Association' ("The Association").

Article II: Purposes

The purposes of The Association are to gather and reflect the opinions of golfers resident in St Andrews regarding the provision of golf on the St Andrews Links and thereafter seek to address any issues that are raised by:

- a) Advocating policies that align with the interests of its members;
- b) Engaging with lawmakers, stakeholders, and the public to influence legislation and regulation;
- c) Informing members and the public on key issues relevant to its mission;
- d) Fostering collaboration among like-minded organisations and individuals; and
- e) Carrying out any other lawful activities to promote and/or achieve these purposes.

Article III: Membership

Eligibility: Permanent residents of the town of St Andrews (and who are registered on the electoral roll) may apply for membership of The Association. Application for membership should include name, address and post code and can be made via the website or email.

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<https://www.standrewsresidentgolfersassociation.com/>

In the case of any dispute arising as to whether any person is resident in the town of St Andrews the matter shall be determined by the Board of Directors whose decision shall be final.

Membership Dues: For the foreseeable future there will be no membership fee. If the Association requires funds in the future the membership will be consulted on the means of raising such funds.

In the event of a member no longer meeting the eligibility criteria that person's membership shall cease forthwith.

Article IV: Governance

The Board of Directors:

The Association shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of a minimum of five and a maximum of seven members.

Directors shall serve for a term of two years and may be re-elected.

Responsibilities include strategic planning, overseeing operations, representing The Association together with any other activities to advance the purposes of The Association.

Officers:

The Board of Directors of The Association shall include a Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and such other office-bearers as The Board of Directors may from time to time decide upon. A simple majority of those attending any meeting of the Board of Directors and required to vote on any competent issue shall constitute a quorum.

Officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors for a term of two years and may be re-elected. The removal of any director for misconduct or otherwise shall be by a majority of the Board of Directors.

Article V: Meetings

Regular meetings: The directors shall hold ordinary meetings as required. An agenda outlining the business to be transacted will be issued a minimum of fourteen days in advance. Minutes of meetings, once approved, will be posted on The Association website.

Annual General Meeting (AGM): The AGM shall be held on the first Wednesday in November each year. The business to be transacted at the AGM will include discussion on The Association's activities, receive consider and approve its accounts, elect directors and set goals for the upcoming year. An agenda outlining the business of The Association will be issued a minimum of fourteen days in advance. Members motions proposed by one member and seconded by two other members must be lodged with the secretary at least three days before the AGM.

Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM): An EGM will be convened by the Board of Directors or by a request signed by at least twenty members and will take place within one month of the Board receiving such a request.

Quorum: a quorum for the AGM shall be ten and for an EGM shall be ten including at least three of whom are directors/office bearers. Voting shall be by a simple majority of those in attendance.

Article VI: Committees

Establishment of Committees: The Board of Directors may establish committees as necessary to carry out The Association's work.

Committee Membership: Committee members shall be appointed by the Board and may include non-board members.

Article VII: Financial Management

Banking: If required The Association shall open accounts with a bank selected by the Board of Directors. Bank transfers to be authorised and/or cheques to be signed by the secretary and treasurer on behalf of The Association.

Fiscal Year: The fiscal year of The Association shall be from 1 October to 30 September.

Article VIII: Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at an AGM or EGM. Proposed amendments must be submitted in writing at least five days prior to the meeting being convened.

Article IX: Dissolution

The Association may be dissolved by a resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting at a meeting convened for that purpose. In the event of dissolution, the assets of The Association shall be distributed to a similar organisation involved in supporting the golfing community in St Andrews which may include local golf clubs.

Adoption

This Constitution was adopted at the inaugural meeting of The Association held on 25 November 2024.