Wimbledon Community Association
Membership Policy

1. Further to the closure of the former Wimbledon Community Association (WCA) premises at 28 St. Georges Road in 2012, the Trustees agreed that from financial year 2017/18, and until such time as they decide to alter the policy, the WCA will offer membership to community, not-for-profit organisations as described in point 3 of this document, provided they are resident in Wimbledon and the surrounding area as laid out in item 3(a) of WCA's Memorandum of Association. The trustees are defining the 'surrounding area' as the London Borough of Merton.

The WCA also offers 'Commercial' Membership to for-profit community-minded organisations as described in point 3 of this document, provided they are resident in Wimbledon and the surrounding area as laid out in item 3(a) of WCA's Memorandum of Association. The trustees are defining the 'surrounding area' as the London Borough of Merton.

The Commercial Member will fall under the same membership rules and have the same membership rights as described in points 3, 4 and 5 of this document, with the exception of voting rights at the Annual General Meeting which are not bestowed onto Commercial Members.

2. All Trustees and the Secretary will be considered members of the WCA.

3. Member Organisations:

(a) Community, not-for-profit organisations who subscribe to Venue membership, and list their community venue on the Wimblecomm website for hire will be members of WCA as of the date of their confirmed subscription.
(b) All community, not-for-profit organisations who subscribe to Group Membership and list their community organisation on the Wimblecomm website will be members of WCA as of the date of their confirmed subscription.
(c) All commercial, community-minded organisations who subscribe to either the Venue Membership or Group Membership and list their organisation on the Wimblecomm website will be members of WCA as of the date of their confirmed subscription.

4. Membership

Membership is free of charge to all members, but the Trustees reserve the right to introduce membership fees in future years for all or any one of the above categories.

5. Rights of membership

(a) Member Organisations (with the exception of Commercial Members) will be invited to the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and any Extraordinary General Meetings (EGMs) and will have one vote per organisation. Any organisation not able to attend the AGM (or EGM) may provide a proxy vote in the name of the Chair of the meeting or another designated person attending the meeting. The person attending the AGM (or EGM) on behalf of their organisation will be deemed by the Trustees to have the right to exercise the vote on behalf of their organisation.

(b) Member Organisations (with the exception of Commercial Members) may requisition the Trustees to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting in accordance with the Articles of Association.
(c) The only resolutions to be agreed by the members attending the AGM shall be those in relation to agreeing the previous year's minutes, the accounts for the previous year and the appointment of independent examiners/auditors for the current year unless otherwise submitted in accordance with the Articles of Association or agreed by the Trustees.
(d) All Member Organisations can register their venue for hire or community organisation/group on the appropriate Wimblecomm website directory and make use of the Wimblecomm website events calendar to advertise their activities subject to Terms and Conditions published on the website.
(e) Membership Plans and their corresponding Benefits are specified in the WCA Membership Benefits Schedule as published on the Wimblecomm website (Membership Section)
(f) The Trustees reserve the right to change the WCA Membership Benefits schedule at any time.

6. The Trustees reserve the right to refuse membership.

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