

Ipswich Town FC Supporters' Club

(Model) Constitution and Rules for Branches

1. Name

- 1.1. The name of the Club shall be the –
Ipswich Town FC Supporters' ClubBranch (hereinafter called "the Branch")

2. Objects and Purpose of the Branch

- 2.1. To encourage the support of Ipswich Town Football Club (hereinafter called "the Football Club")
- 2.2. Branches shall observe the Constitution and Rules of Ipswich Town FC Supporters' Club (hereinafter called "the Supporters Club"), although each Branch is to be self-governing and self-financing.
- 2.3. Branches shall contribute to the overall objectives of the Supporters' Club. They shall remain independent, but serve united to help to achieve the Club's ambitions.
- 2.4. To assist the Football Club whenever possible as may be requested by the Executive Committee of the Supporters' Club (hereinafter called "the Executive Committee").
- 2.5. To promote the interest of the supporters of Ipswich Town Football Club (hereinafter called "the supporters").
- 2.6. To encourage and maintain the acceptance of standards of conduct by members of the Branch, and particularly to preserve and enhance the good name of Ipswich Town supporters.
- 2.7. To encourage supporters' social activities.
- 2.8. To encourage supporters' travel to football matches.
- 2.9. To encourage friendly relations with supporters of all football clubs.
- 2.10. All business with the Football Club shall be copied to the Executive Committee.
- 2.11. Each Branch should have a structural plan by which their efforts may be measured and rewarded.

3. The Management of the Branch

- 3.1. The Branch shall be governed by a Committee consisting of a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and such other members as the Branch shall from time to time determine.
- 3.2. Members of the Branch Committee shall be elected by the adult membership at the Annual General Meeting and shall resign after a maximum of three years, but shall be eligible for re-election individually.

- 3.3. The Branch Committee may invite any person(s) to attend its meeting in a non-voting capacity.
- 3.4. The Branch Committee shall meet at such time or times as the Branch Committee shall determine, and at all meetings of the Branch Committee 50% of the constituent membership thereof shall form quorum.
- 3.5. The Executive Committee shall have authority in general over the affairs of its branches and may intervene in the running of such Branches should it be deemed necessary.

4. Finance

- 4.1. The financial affairs of the Branch shall be entirely the responsibility of the Branch. Any net gains shall be re-applied to the Branch, and any net losses must be met by the members. There shall be no recourse to the Executive Committee for recouping such losses.
- 4.2. Full accounts of the financial affairs of the Branch duly scrutinised by a suitably qualified person (a copy of which should be sent to the Treasurer of the Executive Committee) shall be available to every member attending the Annual General Meeting.

5. The Rules

No alteration nor addition to these rules shall be made except (a) by a resolution carried by a majority of at least two-thirds of the members present at a general meeting the notice of which shall have contained particulars of the proposed alteration or addition or (b) within twenty eight days of being informed by the Executive Committee. The Secretary shall as soon as possible and in any case within twenty eight days of the confirmation by the Executive Committee of such alteration or addition to these rules give written notice of such alteration or addition to such as may be concerned.

6. Ipswich Town Football Club

- 6.1. All badges, mementoes and other goods relating to the Football Club sold to raise funds for the benefit of the Branch are encouraged to be obtained from the Football Club's shops or its agents.
- 6.2. All business with the Football Club shall be directed through the Executive Committee.

7. Membership

All Branch Members shall retain membership of the main Supporters' Club, but those members who subscribe on a "Branch only" basis will not enjoy the discounts and facilities afforded to full members.

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