



Johnian Society Rules

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1. All members of St John's College, Cambridge, shall, on admission to membership of the College, make a payment of £20 if they are junior members and £30 if they are senior members (or such sum as shall be fixed from time to time by the Committee) as a subscription to life membership of the Society. Non-resident members of the College shall, on payment of a subscription of £30 (or such sum as shall be fixed from time to time by the Committee), become life members of the Society.
 - 1a. The Members may (upon the recommendation of the Committee) admit to Honorary Membership any person (not themselves being eligible for membership) whose support for the Society merits special recognition.
2. There shall be a President and a Vice-President, each holding office for one year only and being members of the Committee. The President shall remain a member of the Committee for one year following their term of office. The Master shall be an *ex officio* member of the Committee, while the College Representative will be nominated by the College Council.
3. The governing body of the Society shall be a Committee consisting of a President, Vice-President(s), Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Finance Secretary, College Representative and [other officers], and at least six ordinary members. The Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary [and other officers] shall each serve for a period of three years and be eligible for reappointment immediately thereafter for a further period of three years. The Chairman shall remain a member of the Committee for one year following their term of office. Ordinary members shall serve for six years and shall not be eligible for re-election until twelve months have passed. The Committee shall aim to recommend two members of the Society for election as ordinary members of the Committee each year.
4. A quorum shall consist of four.
5. Casual vacancies shall from time to time be filled up by the Committee. The Committee shall either, out of their numbers or from among other members of the Society, appoint persons to fill the offices of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, College Representative and [other officers], whenever these offices become vacant, and any other officers as may to the Committee seem expedient, and shall, unless otherwise provided by the rules, transact the general business of the Society.
6. The Committee may co-opt members of the Society to the Committee as appropriate.
7. The President, Vice-President and ordinary members of the Committee shall ordinarily be elected at the Annual Meeting; the Annual Meeting may delegate to the Committee.
8. The Committee shall meet from time to time as may be necessary at such time as the Chairman may direct. A special meeting shall be convened by the Secretary when required, at the request in writing of three members of the Committee, and the time and place shall be fixed by the Chairman.
9. A General Meeting of the members shall be held in each year on the occasion of the Annual Dinner at Johnian Society Day.
10. The Rules of the Society may, from time to time, be altered or added to by the Committee, subject to the veto of a General Meeting of the members.