Approved Minutes of Extra-ordinary General Meeting of Nottingham Kayak Club

Held on Thursday 7th July 2022 at 7-30 pm

Those attending were John Handyside (Chair), Norman Mason (Secretary), Cathy Howell (Treasurer), Richard Pickering (Committee member), Magai Dilai (Committee member), Nick Boreham (Committee member), Charlie Smith (Committee member), David Phillips (Committee member), Derek Littlewood (Honorary life member), Claire Knight, Lynne Fender, Alice Murphy, Shaun Walsh, Jessie Urquhart, Louis Harrison, Joe Harrison, Ben Oakley, Colette Macdent.

Apologies for absence were received from Mark Blatchly, Matthew Enoch, Peter Mietus, Julia Mietus.

John Handyside confirmed that the meeting was quorate as under the existing rules there has to be at least fifteen members present to make the meeting quorate. This condition was met.

John Handyside explained that until now, although the club had a set of rules, guidelines and codes of practice, it did not have a constitution. A club constitution is a necessary requirement for many things that the club would like to do and so the committee over a period of several months has been trying to formulate a constitution. Many draft versions have been produced and improved upon and been available for the membership to comment upon. Many of the comments made by members have been acted upon in producing the version available to vote upon today.

If the proposed constitution is voted for today it will be in place for the next annual general meeting in October.

The proposed version was shown to members on the monitor screen and there was the opportunity to ask questions about it. Much of the constitution is based upon a template provided by British Canoeing. Explanation was given about a section on disciplinary procedures.

The proposed constitution was accepted unanimously by those present.