THE ATHERLEIGH LADIES BOWLING LEAGUE (Founded 1996)

Constitution

- 1. The league shall be known as the Atherleigh Ladies Bowling League.
- 2. The objective of the league is to promote the interests and advancement of the game of crown green bowls for females aged 16 and over and the encouragement of competition between member teams.
- 3. The league will be an affiliate of the Lancashire County Crown Green Bowling Association
- 4. All players shall be registered with the Crown Green Bowling Association and as such will hold a British Crown Green Bowling Association number.
- 5. Team membership shall be open and decided at the Annual General Meeting
- 6. Applications for new league membership shall be submitted in writing to the secretary prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- 7. An Executive Committee shall govern the affairs of the league
- 8. The Executive Committee shall consist of three members, Chairlady/Treasurer, Vice-chairlady, and Secretary.
- 9. Notification of any meeting of the Executive Committee to be sent <u>three</u> days prior to the date of the meeting.
- 10. The election of officers shall take place every two years. Nominations for the various offices are invited from the teams, and names to fill them should be sent in by teams not later than <u>twenty eight</u> days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.
- 11. The Executive Committee shall meet as and when necessary.
- 12. The Executive Committee shall have the authority to deal with any infringement of the League Rules, or any offence, or complaint, in connection with League matters. In the case of a team where the offence is found to affect the results of a League match, points shall be deducted if the Committee decide.
- 13. Each team shall appoint a delegate that shall form the management committee with the powers of one vote per team. The Chairman of the league cannot also be a club delegate and will therefore only vote if a casting vote is required.
- 14. Delegates Meetings shall be arranged as and when the Executive committee decides.
- 15. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in January each year. Twenty eight days notice shall be given of the Annual General Meeting where a statement of accounts for the year will be issued. Notices of motion must be submitted to the Secretary twenty eight days prior to the Annual General Meeting and will be include in the agenda of the Annual General Meeting. No rule will be altered, rescinded or added without the sanction of a simple majority of the current delegates voting at the Annual General Meeting. The Chairman of the league cannot also be a club delegate and will therefore only vote at the Annual General Meeting if a casting vote is required. The Secretary and Treasurer cannot be a club delegate. All clubs to be notified of business twenty one days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- 16. At the AGM only one delegate from each member team shall have the authority to vote.
- 17. The team registration and player fees shall be decided at the AGM.
- 18. Any Club may send a request to the Secretary to call a meeting of the Executive Committee. Such request shall state the nature of the business to be brought forward and this shall be placed before the Executive Committee. An Extra-Ordinary General Meeting shall be called upon receipt by the secretary of a request from 50% or Five (whichever is the greater, of the member teams). The request must be signed by the delegates of the requesting teams stating the business and reason for the request. The secretary shall arrange a date for the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting within 28 days of receipt of the request and shall decide the time and venue. Notice of the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting to be given to the delegates and the attendees not

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less than 7 days prior to the arranged date. The Extra-Ordinary General Meeting attendees will be those entitled to attend an AGM and same voting rules will apply.

- 19. The Treasurer shall keep the Accounts of the League and produce a balance sheet for the Annual General Meeting.
- 20. The Treasurer shall receive and remit all monies due to and from the league and maintain separate records. Such financial records to be incorporated into the final accounts.
- 21. Monies shall be placed in a suitable Bank Account, withdrawals being authorised by the Executive Committee.
- 22. Auditors approved by the league shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting.
- 23. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the payment of expenses.
- 24. All teams playing in the league shall pay their fees to the treasurer.
- 25. A resolution to discontinue the league shall be considered at a Special General Meeting of which 21 days notice has been given and at which not less than two thirds of the member teams shall be present. If passed by a two thirds majority of those present, any property and monies belonging to the league, after payment of expenses and liabilities properly incurred, shall not be distributed to the member teams, but shall be donated to a charity as decided at the same meeting.
- 26. The Executive Committee whose decision shall be binding will decide any matter not provided for.