

## **DMADAA CONSTITUTION**

1. The club shall be known as Downham Market and District Angling Association (DMADAA).
2. The club committee is to be formed of the following: Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Match secretary, Assistant Match Secretary, Minutes Secretary, and up to a maximum of 9 others to make up the remainder of the committee. One member may hold more than one position of office. Each post of office and position of committee member should be voted for at each AGM, should there be more than one person wishing to stand for each. Persons may stand for re-election if they so wish.
3. At AGMs all members are entitled to vote, and a majority vote is needed to carry a motion.
4. The AGM is to be held on the first Monday of April at 7.30pm. All motions for the agenda to be with the Chairman or Secretary 14 days before hand in writing or via e- mail or fax.
5. The club shall hold meetings open to all members on the first Monday of the month in April, May and June at 7.30 pm. The committee shall meet after the open meeting, if needed. Only the committee and officers of the club shall vote on all decision-making issues, except at the April meeting, which will be the AGM. The chairman to have the casting vote if needed.
6. The committee and officers may convene a meeting as and when required
7. A quorum for the AGM to be 15 members. For committee meetings, 7 of the total committee and officers to be needed to vote. (1 Person 1 Vote.)
8. Other than everyday running costs of the club, i.e., stationery, rent, trophies, insurance, etc., a majority vote is needed from the committee to approve major expenses, i.e anything in excess of £250. Notification of confirmation is required from the committee.
9. To authorise cheques, two from three possible signatures are required. These persons to be three out of the officers and committee of the club.
10. Club funds / Accounts may be checked by any member at the AGM.
11. In exceptional circumstances, the Chairman plus two other officers of the club may take emergency decisions. However, at the first convenient opportunity, they must report to the rest of the committee

for a final decision, usually at the next monthly meeting. Emergency decisions to be short-term until ratified by a quorum of committee members.

12. The committee holds the right to close any club water at any time without prior notice.
13. Membership to the club is as follows: Wallington Hall Lake tickets holders, on acceptance of application to the committee by letter initially. The number issued is at the discretion of the committee, to anyone in the local area, but limited to 200. A Willows- only ticket is available to residents of Downham only, with a post code of PE38. Junior tickets have no limit on numbers. However, all juniors under the age of 14 years must hold a junior book and be accompanied at all times by a parent or guardian. Juniors 14 and over must be accompanied by a senior book holder. Junior is defined as under the age of 16 at the commencement of the current season (ie June 16<sup>th</sup>).
- 13a. Honorary members will be given free tickets whilst they are in office, ie Chairman- Secretary- Treasurer- Match Secretary.
- 13 b. Life members for services to club stands currently at seven persons.
14. The club committee has the right to withdraw membership of the club from anyone who breaks club rules or brings the name of the club into disrepute.