

Keswick Theatre Club

Constitution

1. The organisation shall be known as Keswick Theatre Club.
2. Our goal is to bring people in our local communities together to enjoy and create excellent, innovative and truthful theatre. We have high ambitions and strive to achieve them through teamwork, kindness and mutual respect.
3. Membership of the Club is open to anyone aged over 18 years who supports our goal.
4. The annual subscription shall be determined each year at the Annual General Meeting. Payment of this subscription shall entitle Members to take part in the Club's activities.
5. The Executive Committee of the Club shall consist of: Chair, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, and no less than one and no more than six other Members. All Committee members shall be elected at the AGM. Retiring members of the Committee shall be eligible for re-election. Names of nominees for election to the Committee should reach the Honorary Secretary in writing seven days before the AGM.
6. The Executive Committee shall conduct all the affairs of the Club. The Committee shall have the power to co-opt a new member to fill any vacancy on the Committee. The Committee should extend the invitation to the director of the next production to Committee meetings - to discuss issues relevant to that production.
7. A quorum for a Committee meeting shall be half the number of current Committee members, subject to a minimum of three.
8. The financial year shall be from 1st May to 30th April. The Annual General Meeting shall be held as early as may be convenient in the month of May. At least 11 days' notice of this meeting shall be given to Members.
9. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by the Executive Committee or any 6 Members giving notice to the Honorary Secretary. 11 days' notice of any such meeting shall be given to Members.
10. Notice of any proposal to alter the Constitution of the Club shall be given to the Honorary Secretary in writing at least 7 days before the AGM.
11. A limited number of people may be invited by the Committee to become patrons, which will entitle them to one complimentary reserved seat at all productions of the Club.
12. The Executive Committee acknowledges its responsibility for its accounts to be prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small/medium companies; and the Committee shall take advantage of the Act under Section 249A (1) (total exemption) in not having its accounts audited.

Approved at the AGM 5 May 2026