

Nottinghamshire Athletics Network

Constitution

1. Name and position in the hierarchy of Athletics:
 - 1.1 The Group shall be known as the Nottinghamshire Athletics Network (NAN) and all officers/members shall be affiliated to England Athletics.
 - 1.2 The NAN accepts that the governing body for Athletics in England is England Athletics and agrees to be bound by the Constitution, Articles of Association, Rules and By-laws of the organisation.
 - 1.3 The NAN will operate under the umbrella of Notts AAA, effectively a subcommittee, and will be a standing item on the committee agenda of Notts AAA.

2. Aims and Objectives
 - 2.1 To promote and develop the sport of athletics, principally within the County of Nottinghamshire, working collaboratively with other Clubs and Counties, as the need arises, to benefit each party specifically and the sport in general.
 - 2.2 To promote and develop coaching, officiating and competition opportunities for all age groups and abilities.
 - 2.3 To encourage communication and co-operation between all clubs and individuals within the NAN family, for the benefit of all.
 - 2.4 To ensure that all current and potential members of the NAN receive fair and equal treatment.
 - 2.5 To be responsible for the management of the Nottinghamshire County Development League (NCDL)

3. Membership and Management of the NAN
 - 3.1 Membership is open to all clubs affiliated to Notts. AAA.
 - 3.2 The NAN will be managed by a committee consisting of representatives from membership clubs, each club being entitled to have one or more representatives at each meeting but with an entitlement of one vote per club, should that need arise.
 - 3.3 The Principal Officers of the committee will be Chair, Secretary and Treasurer, selected at an Annual General Meeting.
 - 3.4 The committee will be responsible for all business of the NAN, adopting any specific policies, rules and codes of conduct that are relevant to its effective operation.
 - 3.5 The quorum required for business to be agreed at committee meetings shall be five people, two of which shall be officers.

- 3.6 The committee may invite attendees / advisors from outside of Notts. AAA, or not even affiliated to England Athletics should the need arise, to attend meetings to provide professional advice if needed. Such persons will not have voting rights at the committee meetings.
 - 3.7 All persons eligible to attend the meeting are entitled to one vote, with any proposals being carried by those eligible to vote. There will be no proxy votes, and the Chair will have a casting vote if necessary.
 - 3.8 The committee will meet at least three times per year with one of those meetings being the Annual General Meeting.
4. Event participation within the NAN
 - 4.1 Open to all clubs affiliated to Notts. AAA.
 - 4.2 Available to clubs outside of Notts. AAA, on an annual basis, following an application to join and subsequent acceptance by the committee.
5. Finance
 - 5.1 All monies will be banked with Barclays in an account held in the name of Nottinghamshire Amateur Athletics Association - Network.
 - 5.2 The Treasurer will be responsible for the finances of the NAN.
 - 5.3 The financial year of the NAN will run from the 1st of January each year.
 - 5.4 A statement of accounts will be presented by the Treasurer to the Annual General meetings of both the NAN and the Notts. AAA.
 - 5.5 Any payments made against the NAN account shall be authorised by two of three authorised signatories, two of which should be the Chair and Treasurer.
 - 5.6 Cheques may be payable, up to a value of £200, without a second signature.
6. Annual General Meeting
 - 6.1 An Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be held each financial year, ideally in August or September, at the end of the Track and Field outdoor athletics season.
 - 6.2 The Secretary will give notice of the AGM to all members and clubs with not less than 21 days clear notice being given.
 - 6.3 The AGM will receive a report from the officers of the committee and a statement of accounts.
 - 6.4 Election of officers will take place at the AGM. Nominations for officers of the committee will be accepted by the Secretary prior to the AGM.
 - 6.5 All persons eligible to attend the meeting are entitled to one vote, with any proposals being carried by those eligible to vote. There will be no proxy votes, and the Chair will have a casting vote if necessary.
 - 6.6 The committee has the right to call an Emergency General Meeting (EGM) outside of the AGM. Procedures for an EGM will be the same as for an AGM.

7. Dissolution

7.1 A resolution to dissolve the NAN can only be considered and approved at an AGM or EGM.

7.1 In the event of dissolution any property or assets belonging to the NAN shall pass to Nottinghamshire AAA.

8. Amendments to this Constitution

8.1 This Constitution can only be changed through agreement by a majority of votes at an AGM or EGM.

9. Declaration

9.1 This Constitution was agreed and formally adopted at an EGM held on 12th December 2024.