

- ____(b) there shall be sent to the Member whose general conduct or particular action is to be considered (to his address given in the current issue of the *Alumni Felstedianses* or more recent address if known) not less than eight days' notice of the holding of such meeting, and of the matter or matters to be considered thereat, and inviting him to explain and/or defend his conduct or action, or alleged conduct or action, in person or in writing as he shall think fit.

109. Appointment of Trustees

- 10.1** Two or more Members [of the Society](#) may be appointed by the Committee as Trustees, and such Trustees are to hold such funds or property of the Society as the Committee may direct, and shall invest and realise the same in such manner and from time to time as the Committee in its absolute discretion may determine.

110. Life Honorary Members and Honorary Members

- 11.1** The Committee shall have power to elect as a Life Honorary Member of the Society anyone who in its opinion has been of special service to the School, although he/she may not have been educated there. All teaching staff are Honorary Members while at the School and as such shall be entitled to all privileges of the Society but shall not be entitled to vote at General Meetings, nor shall they have any rights in the funds or property of the Society.

124. Accounts

- 12.1** Accounts in the usual form shall be prepared up to 31 March in each year and duly audited and presented at the Annual General Meeting following.

132. Alterations in the Rules

- 13.1** Alterations in these Rules may be made if approved by the Committee and adopted by the next Annual General Meeting.

- 13.2** Any resolutions affecting these Rules or any of the established customs of the Society shall be sent in writing to the Honorary Secretary not less than twenty-eight days before the Annual General Meeting for the consideration of the Committee.

143. Old Felstedian Colours

- 14.1** The Old Felstedian colours shall be those adopted in 1895, namely stripes of red, gold and red in equal widths on a dark blue background.

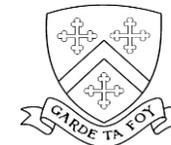
- 14.2** Any Old Felstedian organisation or body recognised as such by the Committee may wear an adapted version of the approved ties, subject to approval by the Committee.

- 14.3** The following organisations are authorised to wear individual ties as follows:-

- (a) Golfing Association: small replicas of the School Shield on a green background;
- (b) Hockey Club: small replicas of the School Shield alternating with crossed hockey sticks on a dark blue background;
- (c) Shooting Association: small replicas of the School Shield alternating with crossed rifles on a dark blue background;
- (d) Cambridge University Old Felstedians: light blue stripes equidistant between the red-gold-red stripes on a dark blue background;
- (e) Felsted Robins Cricket Club: pair of robins on a dark blue background

- 14.4** A blazer badge of the School Shield is approved for wear by any Member.

THE OLD FELSTEDIAN SOCIETY



Brief Historical Note

On 14th September 1900, a meeting of Old Felstedians was held at Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street, in the City of London, at which it was decided to form a society to which past pupils and others connected with Felsted School could belong.

A further meeting was held on 14th December of the same year, at which a Committee was appointed and rules made, and General Sir A. Gasealee, G.C.B., G.C.I.E., was invited to be the first President of the Society; his acceptance was announced at the first general meeting, held on Whit Sunday 1901. General Gasealee continued as President until his death in 1918. The first Secretary was E.T. Roberts.

In February 1901 the first edition of "The Old Felstedian" magazine was published, and each year since that date (except 1909) the magazine has been produced and sent to members.

Activities of the Society

In addition to carrying out the objects of the Society, as laid down in the Rules, the Society also:

1. [Sends/Produces for](#) its members annually "The Old Felstedian";
2. [Publishes-periodically/Maintains](#) a list of members with addresses; [and](#)
3. [Promotes-an annual/regular meetings, including social occasions-dinner;](#)

In the past the Society has:

1. Bought the original School Room (which the School had been compelled to sell) and presented it to the School after carrying out repairs.
2. Presented the School with a portrait of the Rev. W.S. Grignon, Headmaster 1856-1875 (this portrait was burnt in a fire in 1929).
3. Bought and presented to the School:
 - (a) the Old Schoolmaster's House
 - (b) the [present-former](#) school bookshop
 - (c) several benches in memory of individual OFs.
4. Organised an OF War Memorial Fund to assist sons of OFs killed in the Second World War. This fund was later handed over to the School to become the Old Felstedian Benevolent Fund to provide bursaries for children of OFs and others.
5. Expended the legacy bequeathed by J.E. Montgomery on refurbishing the new Archives Room in the Old School and a tree planting scheme.

THE OLD FELSTEDIAN SOCIETY RULES

1. The Society

1.1 The Society shall be called "The Old Felstedian Society" ("the Society") and its membership shall comprise:

- (a) all past pupils of Felsted School ("the School", which expression shall include the Senior School and the Preparatory School) elected to Life Membership of the Society under Rule 87.
- (b) All persons elected as Life Honorary Members under Rule 110.

2. Objects

2.1 —The Objects of the Society shall be:

- (a) to maintain a means of communication between present and past Felstedians, between the Headmaster and Old Felstedians and between Old Felstedians *inter se*;
- (b) to encourage and support Old Felstedian organisations;
- (c) to maintain a register of Old Felstedians' contact details addresses; and
- (d) generally to further the interests of the School and of its past and present pupils.

3. Officers President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Auditor

3.1 There shall be a President, an Honorary Secretary, an Honorary Treasurer and an Honorary Auditor, to be chosen at the Annual General Meeting. ~~A, and any~~ vacancy in these offices may be filled during the year by the Committee and shall be confirmed at the next Annual General Meeting.

3.2 The President shall be elected for three years or for life, whichever is the shorter, and shall not be eligible for re-election.

3.3 The Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer shall be subject to annual re-election at the Annual General Meeting and shall retire after holding office for a period of seven years. They shall not be eligible for re-election unless requested by the Committee.

4. Committee Members

~~4.1 The general management of the Society together with its finances and the election of the Committee.~~

4.12 The Committee of the Society ("the Committee") is responsible for the general management of the Society and its finances and shall consist of not more than twelve elected Committee Members and of the following ex-officio Committee Members:

(a) The President, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer;

(b) The Chairperson of the Committee, elected in accordance with rule 5.1;

(c) Ex-officio Committee Members, being the immediate past President, immediate past Chairperson, immediate past Honorary Secretary, immediate past Honorary Treasurer, the Headmaster, the Bursar, representatives of School Liaison and Alumni Relations and the representative of the Felsted School Mission ("the Ex-Officio Members").

(d) Not more than six Members elected to the Committee to represent Old Felstedian organisations and other bodies recognised by the Committee and report on the different aspects of those organisations and bodies in accordance with the terms of reference of their role ("the Ambassadors").

(e) Not more than four Members elected to the Committee to represent the membership in general ("the Elected Members").

~~The President, the Past Presidents, the Headmaster, the Bursar, the Chairman elected each year by the Committee itself under Rule 6, the Honorary Secretary and the Immediate Past Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer, a representative of the Felsted School Mission, a representative of the Old Felstedian Lodge of Freemasons, the Editor of The Old Felstedian, the Honorary Dinner Secretary, and a representative of other Old Felstedian organisations or bodies recognised as such by the Committee.~~

4.23 Ambassadors and Elected Members of the Committee shall be elected for three years and shall be eligible for re-election, retire after holding office for a period of four years and shall not be eligible for re-elections subject to a maximum of nine years, for a period of one year except to fill a casual vacancy unless otherwise requested by the Committee. A Committee Member taking up an appointment abroad shall be deemed to have resigned.

4.34 Election of new Ambassadors and Elected New Committee Members to replace those retiring by rotation and to fill any other vacancy on the Committee shall take place at the Annual General Meeting.

4.45 The Committee may co-opt a Member to fill any vacancy which may arise on the Committee during the year, and such appointment shall be confirmed at the next Annual General Meeting.

5. Committee Meetings

5.1 The Committee shall meet before the end of the September following the Annual General Meeting and elect to hold office for the following twelve months its own Chairperson for Committee meetings.

5.2 Not less than eight days' notice of all Committee Meetings shall be sent to every Committee Member. At a Committee Meeting five shall form a quorum.

6. Matters Reserved for the Committee

6.1 Matters reserved for the Committee are:

(a) Reports from each Ambassador and, where appropriate, Elected Member on the activities of the Old Felstedian organisations, bodies and interest groups that they represent;

(b) Reports from one or more of the Headmaster, Bursar and Head of Development and Alumni Relations on the activities of the school and from the representative of the Felsted School Mission on the activities of the Mission;

(c) Authorisation of the annual budget for the Society and of any expenditure in excess of that budget;

(d) Review on at least an annual basis of the performance of the financial assets of the Society and any changes to the strategic asset allocation;

(e) Determination of the subscription for Life Membership;

(f) Election of Members and Life Honorary Members to the Society;

(g) Expulsion of Members from the Society;

(h) Co-option of a Member to fill a vacancy on the Committee;

(i) Appointment of Trustees;

(j) Changes to the Trustees of the Philipps Old Felstedian Fund; and

(k) Changes to the rules of the Society for adoption at the AGM.

75. General Meetings

75.1 The Annual General Meeting shall be held at the School during the Summer Term. Not less than four weeks' notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be given to Members through publication in whichever generally-available media the Committee consider appropriate, and of such meeting no notice to Members shall be necessary.

75.2 The Chairperson of the Committee may, and upon the written requisition of any ten Members of the Society shall, summon a Special General Meeting on giving not less than fourteen days' notice in a national daily newspaper whichever generally-available media the Committee consider appropriate and therein specifying the resolutions to be moved. A notice stating the purpose of such Meeting must also be sent to each Member of the Committee. Fifteen shall form a quorum for a Special General Meeting.

~~6. Committee Meetings~~

~~6.1 The Committee shall meet before the end of the September following the Annual General Meeting and elect to hold office for the following twelve months its own Chairman who need not have been previously elected to the Committee.~~

~~Not less than eight days' notice of all Committee Meetings shall be sent to every Committee Member. At a Committee Meeting five shall form a quorum.~~

87. Membership and Subscriptions

87.1 Every pupil on leaving the Senior School who has paid the subscription current at the date of entering the Senior School shall be eligible for election to Life Membership, and every pupil who leaves the Preparatory School but does not proceed to the Senior School who has paid the subscription current at the date of leaving shall be similarly eligible.

87.2 The subscription for Life Membership shall be such sum as the Committee shall from time to time resolve.

87.3 Every pupil on entering the Senior School shall be invited to pay termly instalments on account of the subscription during the first and subsequent terms which the pupil is in the School for so many terms and in such amounts as the Committee shall from time to time resolve, and if the aggregate payments on account for any pupil fall short of the subscription appropriate to that pupil at the time of election any balance shall be payable before election.

87.4 Election of Members shall take place from time to time at meetings of the Committee, which has a discretion not to elect any particular candidate for membership. In the event of a candidate not being elected, the candidate may claim repayment of any sum paid for or on account of the required subscription.

98. Expulsion of Members

9.1 In case the general conduct or any particular action on the part of any Member shall, in the opinion of the Committee, be injurious to, or inconsistent with, the character or the interests of the Society or likely to endanger its welfare or reputation, the Committee shall, subject to the following conditions, have power to expel such Member from the Society:-

- (a) such power shall be exercised only by Resolution passed at the meeting of the Committee specially called to consider the general conduct or any particular action on the part of any Member, of which meeting not less than eight days' notice shall be sent to every Member of the Committee, or at an adjournment of such meeting, not less than twelve Members of the Committee (including ex-officio Members) being present at the time of voting on the question of expulsion, and the Resolution being passed by a majority of not less than two thirds of the Members of the Committee present; and