WILPSHIRE WANDERERS FOOTBALL CLUB CONSTITUTION

1. CLUB NAME

The Club shall be called “Wilpshire Wanderers Football Club” and shall be affiliated to the Lancashire County Football Association.

2. OBJECT

The object of the Club shall be to provide football for its members and such social and recreational pursuits that may be deemed desirable by the committee. The aim is wherever possible to meet the needs of youngsters within the local parishes of Wilpshire, Salesbury and Clayton-le-Dale.

3. MANAGEMENT OF THE CLUB

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4.1 Club Officers

The Club officers, who collectively shall form the Executive Committee, shall consist of the following:

- Chairperson
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Club Welfare Officer
- Equipment Co-ordinator *
- Communications Officer *
- Development Officer*

* Or such other roles that the Executive Committee shall reasonably decide are appropriate from time to time

These officers shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting

4.2 Coaches Committee

A Coaches Committee shall consist of the Club officers and one representative from each team or age group.

The Coaches Committee shall meet at least once a year and the proceedings at such meetings shall be minuted.

4.3 Annual General Meeting

An Annual General Meeting shall be held each year to:

(i) receive a report of the activities of the Club over the previous year
(ii) receive a report of the Club's finances over the previous year
(iii) elect the members of the Executive Committee
(iv) consider any other business

The Secretary shall give 14 clear days notice of this meeting to Executive and Coaches committee members.

4.4 Extraordinary General Meeting

An Extraordinary General Meeting may also be convened by the Executive Committee when considered necessary and also upon the written request of a minimum of 50% of the members.

The Secretary shall give 7 clear days notice to all members of such a meeting.

5. POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

5.1 The property and/or assets of the Club shall be vested in the Executive Committee.

5.2 The Executive Committee shall have the power to appoint such Sub-Committees as may be deemed necessary and shall receive reports of Sub- Committees at its meetings.

5.3 The Executive Committee shall have the power to suspend, expel or take such other action as deemed appropriate against any member considered guilty of conduct prejudicial to the good name or interests of the Club. All actions taken shall be in line with the Clubs Disciplinary procedures, as communicated to all members in an appropriate manner.

5.4 The Executive Committee shall have the power to fill such vacancies as may arise in its Constitution between Annual General Meetings.

6. MEMBERSHIP

6.1 Membership shall consist of Club registered players and their adult representatives, that it to say parents, legal guardians' etc. and associated administrative and coaching staff. (Throughout this Constitution when members are referred to this shall embrace their adult representatives).

7. CLUB MEMBERSHIP

7.1 Any person who wishes to be a member must apply via the membership registration system. Election to membership shall be at the sole discretion of the Executive Committee or by their delegated authority. Membership shall become effective upon an applicant's name being entered in the Membership Register.

7.2 The Secretary shall keep a register of members of the Club (the "Membership Register").

8. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

8.1 An annual fee payable by each member shall be determined from time to time by the Executive Committee. Any fee shall be payable on a successful application for membership and annually by each member. Fees shall not be repayable.

9. CLUB FINANCES

9.1 A bank account shall be opened and maintained in the name of the Club (the Club Account). Designated account signatories shall be the Club Chairperson, the Club Treasurer and upto two other members of the Executive Committee. No sum shall be drawn from the Club Account except by cheque signed by two of the designated signatories for amounts over £100.00 and by any one of the designated signatories for amounts of £100.00 or less. All monies payable to the Club shall be received by the Treasurer and deposited in the Club Account.

9.2 The income and assets of the Club (the Club property) shall be applied only in the furtherance of the objects of the Club. Any surplus income cannot be distributed to the members. If the Club is to be wound up any funds remaining after meeting any and all

liabilities shall be donated to a club or clubs having similar objectives as the Club as determined by the Executive Committee

9.3 The Executive Committee shall have power to authorise the payment of remuneration and expenses to any member of the Club and to any other person or persons for services rendered to the Club.

10. RULES AND REGULATIONS

10.1 All members of the club shall abide by all club policies, regulations, code of conducts and rules. Breach of this may lead to a Disciplinary Procedure.

10.2 The Club shall have the status of an Affiliated Member Club of The Football Association by virtue of its affiliation to/membership of Lancashire Football Association. The Rules and Regulations of The Football Association Limited and parent County Association and any League or Competition to which the Club is affiliated for the time being shall be deemed to be incorporated into the Club Rules

10.3 The Club will also abide by the Football Association's Child protection Policies and Procedures, Codes of Conduct and the Equal Opportunities and Anti-Discrimination Policy. It is intended that each child be provided with a fair opportunity to partake in competition matches. It is also intended that the practice of parent and manager pre-season meetings are held when considered necessary to clarify Club Policy and ensure awareness of Club Rules and Code of Conduct.

Please read the separate "WWFC Disciplinary Procedure".

11. CODE OF CONDUCT

Every member whether player, parent/guardian/Club officials or spectators are expected to observe the Club's Code of Conduct, which is considered to be part of these Rules. Any breach of the Code of Conduct will be dealt with under the Club Disciplinary Procedure. Each member and their representative shall be required to agree to comply with the Club's Code of Conducts and Disciplinary Procedures via the club membership system.

Please read the separate "WWFC Code of Conduct Policies" and the "WWFC Disciplinary Procedure".

12. CHILD PROTECTION

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY STATEMENT

The Club is fully committed to the Child Protection Procedures and Practices as detailed in the Football Association's Policy Statement concerning Child protection. The Club believes that "Every child or young person who plays or participates in football should be able to take part in an enjoyable and safe environment and be protected from abuse. This is the responsibility of every adult involved in football." *(Quoted from the Football Association's Policy Statement concerning Child Protection.)*

Please read the separate "WWFC Safeguarding Policy".

13 ANTI-DISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES POLICY

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The Club is committed to providing opportunities for everyone to participate in football regardless of their gender, sexual orientation, race, nationality, ethnic origin, colour, religion or disability.

Please read the separate "WWFC Equality Policy" and the "WWFC Anti-Discrimination and Equal Opportunities Policy".

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CHAIRPERSON ……

DATE ……

SIGNED ……

SECRETARY ……

DATE ……