



THE BEACONSFIELD SOCIETY

celebrating the past, promoting the present and influencing the future

The Beaconsfield Society - Membership Policy

The purpose of the Beaconsfield Society is to:

- (i) Promote an awareness of the beauty, history and character of Beaconsfield and surrounding area.
- (ii) Encourage the preservation, development and improvement of the features and amenities which go to make pleasing, convenient conditions in which to live and work.
- (iii) Stimulate public consciousness and appreciation of the preservation of areas of outstanding beauty.
- (iv) Encourage residents to become actively involved in the community.

Membership is open to all who are interested in actively furthering the purposes of the Society.

Exclusion Policy

If a member does not pay their annual subscription, having been reminded that it is due, their membership will automatically end.

By joining The Beaconsfield Society, members agree not only to pay the annual subscription but also to adhere to a standard of behaviour in keeping with the Society's objectives. We are committed to open debate and different opinions in helping to reach decisions and we would hope that the membership supports actions then taken. If a member chooses not to support decisions taken and becomes disruptive and publicly in opposition to the Society's views, then we reserve the right to request their resignation due to their failure to uphold our values and objectives. If a member refuses to resign, we will retain the ability to withdraw membership from them.

We will seek to make this process as transparent and fair for all as possible.

1. A member of the Committee must propose the membership withdrawal and state the grounds on which this is justified. This would be raised at the next planned Committee meeting.
2. The Committee will review the proposal and vote on it. A majority decision will be final.
3. Following agreement to withdraw membership from an individual the Chair or Secretary will contact the member by email to express the concerns and wishes of the Society's Committee and arrange for an effective date when membership will cease.
4. If there is more than 3 months until the next membership subscription renewal date, a partial or complete refund of subscriptions will be made.
5. Suitable reasons for withdrawal of membership may include repeated contradiction of Committee decisions and actions, repeated and express posting on public sources views that are anti The Beaconsfield Society or its aims or ethos, statements that are deemed by the Committee to bring the Society into disrepute, condemnation of Committee decisions, malicious membership applications as a means to get access directly to Society correspondence and decision making for the aim of disruption and the desire to influence the Society to a cause thought unsuitable for the Society's constitution, and party politics.
6. The Society reserves the right to restrict individual member's access to social media platforms where they are clearly seeking to disrupt Society business or decisions. The member may remain a member of the Society until such time as the Committee has a chance to review their statements and comments.
7. Membership does not guarantee access to social media platforms to promote issues thought to bring the Society into disrepute or contrary to the Society's aims or ethos. Issues an individual

member may have must be raised with the Chair of the Society in the first instance prior to publication.

8. We reserve the right to refuse membership to those who have publicly opposed our views and positions or expressed views which are untruthful or contrary to the ethos of the Society. This includes correspondence sent to The Beaconsfield Society's email address which is disrespectful.

All complaints will be handled at the next Committee meeting after the complaint date.

The Beaconsfield Society