

PROVISIONAL CONSTITUTION

1. Name of Association: Oxford-Bicester Rail Action Group (OBRAG)
2. Aims: To coordinate the campaign for the maintenance and improvement of the regularity, convenience, connectivity and affordability of rail services for residents of Oxford, Bicester, Islip, Kidlington and the surrounding area.
3. Membership: Open to all persons and bodies in agreement with these aims on payment of a minimum monthly subscription of £1 per person (with automatic spouse membership) or body.
4. Government: The Association shall be governed by a standing Committee, consisting of the following three officers:
 - i. Chairman
 - ii. Vice Chairman / Secretary
 - iii. Treasurer

These shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting (AGM) to be held in January of each year. Members will receive at least 14 days' notice of the AGM and of any other General meeting that may be called from time to time.

Members and their spouses shall each have one vote, with other bodies being represented by a single delegate. The Committee may make decisions on behalf of members, which may be discussed, ratified or overturned at a subsequent General Meeting. The Vice Chairman / Secretary will keep members informed of all decisions and meetings via the OBRAG website and via email. Two officers present at either a Committee or General Meeting will constitute a quorum, with the Chairman holding a casting vote.

The Committee may co-opt officers to replace any who may resign during the 12 month period between AGMs. The Committee may co-opt up to 4 additional officers that may from time to time be deemed necessary to perform additional roles (e.g. Press Officer, Membership Secretary etc).

The Committee shall operate its own finances and its own bank account and the signature of the Treasurer will be required on cheques.

The Vice Chairman / Secretary will be the local representative of Railfuture and will represent OBRAG at Railfuture meetings. (Other members of the Committee may deputise from time to time.) OBRAG will affiliate to Railfuture by paying a regular group membership fee.

5. Amendments: any amendments to this constitution shall be made at a properly convened General Meeting of members; as shall any decision to suspend or disband the association and dispose of any funds that may be left.

These articles were provisionally adopted at the Annual General Meeting in January 2017 and will be ratified at the next Annual General Meeting in January 2018.

