



SOUTHAMPTON MINERAL & FOSSIL SOCIETY

Rules of the Society

1. The aim of the Society is to foster interest in collecting, identifying, studying and conserving minerals and fossils.
2. A Committee consisting of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and three other members, all of whom are elected at the Annual General Meeting, runs the Society. Additional members may be co-opted for specific purposes and they hold full voting powers while serving on the Committee. Committee members have the option to retire after one but in any case must stand down after two years and are then eligible for re-election. At Committee meetings, three elected members shall constitute a forum.
3. The Society's year is from 1st January to 31st December and the Annual General Meeting is held in January.
4. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month at the Friends' Meeting House, Ordnance Road, Southampton, commencing at 19:30.
5. Any person aged 16 years or more is eligible for membership. Younger children, accompanied by an adult, may attend meetings under the terms of Family Membership.
6. Membership fees are as follows:
Single: £10 per annum
Family: £15 per annum (includes self, partner and all children under 18 years).
Prospective members are welcome to attend a maximum of two meetings free of charge before deciding whether to join.
7. On field trips, members must comply with the Society's published Field Trip Guide and Rules. Failure to do so may lead to the member being excluded from future field trips or, in extreme circumstances, expelled from the Society.
8. In the unlikely event of the dissolution of the Society, any remaining capital together with proceeds of the sale of equipment etc. will be donated to an appropriate society or group.
9. The above rules may only be changed with majority vote approval at an Annual General Meeting or an Ordinary Meeting, advance notice of the proposed amendment having been given to all members.

Southampton Mineral & Fossil Society, January 2012