



The Constitution

Of

Mungret Regional Football Club.

1. NAME

The Club shall be called Mungret Regional Football Club. (hereinafter referred to as the Club) and it shall seek affiliation to and be bound by the rules of the Football Association of Ireland (FAI), Schoolboy Football Association of Ireland (SFAI), Limerick District Schoolboy League (LDSL), Limerick District Management Committee (LDMC) and Limerick County District Underage League (LCDUL).

2. OBJECTIVES

- i. To manage the Clubs resources, including clubhouse, pitches etc.
- ii. The objective of the Club shall be to arrange football matches and training for all teams in the Club.
- ii. The Club is committed to encouraging the highest ethical standards. All Individuals involved in the Club should conduct themselves with integrity, transparency, accountability and in a fair and equitable manner.

3. RULES AND REGULATIONS

- i. The Club shall have the status of an Affiliated Member Club of The Football Association of Ireland.
- ii. The Club will abide by The Football Association of Ireland's Child Protection Policies and Procedures, Codes of Conduct and the Equal Opportunities and Anti-Discrimination Policy.

4. MEMBERSHIP / REGISTRATION

- i. The membership shall consist of the following categories:
(Any application form for membership will contain a clause whereby the applicant consents for the purpose of the Data Protection Act, to the Club holding and processing the data on the form for the purposes of the Club.)
 1. Adult Player.
 2. Schoolboy / Schoolgirl Player
 3. General Member / Membership is due each February or September (depending on League) for the coming season. Only Members, who have paid the appropriate fee and filled up, the appropriate Membership / Registration Forms, are deemed to be Members of the Club. Only paid up Members can vote or attend the Clubs Annual General Meeting.
 4. Coach Member.
 5. Committee Member
 6. Family Membership
Only Members, who have paid the appropriate fee and filed up to the appropriate Membership / Registration Forms each year, are deemed to be Members of the Club. Only paid up Adult Members and are over 18 years of age can vote or attend the Clubs Annual General Meeting. Lifetime members and Parents of paid up players can attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting
- ii. Members in each category shall pay Membership fees as fixed by the Committee. The Club in a General Meeting may also require Members to contribute to the funds of the Club by way of a special levy.

- iii. All members joining the Club shall be deemed to accept the terms of this Constitution and any Bye-laws from time to time adopted by the Club. They will also be required to conduct themselves in accordance with the Club's Ethical framework and the bye-laws as to discipline set out therein.
- vi. The Club Registrar shall keep a Membership Register. In the event of a member's resignation or expulsion, his or her name shall be removed from the Membership Register.
- vii. All member shall be deemed to give consent for the purposes of the Data Protection Acts 1988 and 2003 to the Club holding personal data, and any application form for membership will contain a clause whereby the applicant consents for the purpose of the Data Protection Act, to the Club holding and processing the data on the form for the purposes of the Club.

5. THE COMMITTEE

- i. The Club Committee shall consist of the following Club Officers: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Secretary and Assistant Secretary and Club Registrar, plus up to 8 other members. The Officers of the Club who shall be honorary (non-paid) shall be the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, all Committee members and Club Registrar.
- ii. Any Officer of the Club must have been sitting on the Committee for two years or otherwise agreed at the first Committee meeting of the new Committee.
- iii. Committee Members shall hold office from the date of appointment until the next Annual General Meeting unless otherwise resolved at a Special General Meeting. One person may hold no more than two positions of Club Officer at any time.
- iv The Club Committee shall be responsible for Management of all affairs of the Club. The Club Committee shall have the sole right to appoint sub committees as required. The Club Committee shall define the duties of such sub committees and retain control of all matters and activities which it considers of importance to the general welfare of the Club, including the disposal of funds in the hands of such sub-committees.
- v. Decisions of the Club Committee shall be made by a simple majority of those attending the Club Committee meeting. The Chairperson of the Club Committee meeting shall have a casting vote in the event of a tie.
- vi. Meetings of the Club Committee shall be chaired by the Chairman or in their absence the Vice - Chairman.
- vii. The quorum for the transaction of business of the Club Committee shall be five.
- viii. Decisions of the Club Committee of meetings shall be entered into the Minute Book of the Club to be maintained by the Club Secretary.
- ix. Any member of the Club Committee may call a meeting of the Club Committee by giving not less than 7 days notice to all members of the Club Committee. The Club Committee shall hold not less than ten meetings a year.
- x. An outgoing member of the Club Committee may be re-elected. Any vacancy on the Club Committee which arises between Annual General Meetings shall be filled by a member proposed by one and seconded by another of the remaining Club Committee members and approved by a simple majority of the remaining Club Committee members.
- xi. The Club Committee shall have the power to decide all questions and

- disputes arising in respect of any issue concerning the Club Rules.
- xii. The Committee can co-opt extra members onto the Committee.

6. GENERAL MEETINGS

- i. The Club shall hold an Annual General Meeting in the month of April/May each year to:
- Approve the minutes of the previous year's AGM.
 - Receive reports from the Chairperson and Secretary.
 - Receive a report from the Treasurer and approve the Annual Accounts.
 - Elect the Executive Club Committee.
 - Consider changes to the Constitution.
 - Review and consider any Bye-laws.
 - Deal with other relevant business.
- ii. Nominations for election of members as Club Officers shall be made in writing by the proposer of whom must be existing member of the Club, to the Club Secretary 7 days before the AGM. In the event of no written nominations for Officer positions in the Club, the position can be nominated on the floor at the Annual General Meeting or failing that the first Committee meeting of the new Committee. Notice of any resolution to be proposed at the AGM shall be given in writing to the Club Secretary not less than 7 days before the Meeting and be a Member of the Club.
- iii. A Special General Meeting (SGM) may be called at any time by the majority of the Committee. 60% of the Club Members may also call such a meeting. The meeting must take place within 14 days of the Secretary receiving notice of the request. Business at an SGM may be any business that may be transacted at an AGM.
- iv. The Secretary shall send to each member notice of the date of a General Meeting together with the resolutions to be proposed at least 14 days before the Meeting.
- v. The quorum for a General Meeting shall be a minimum of 12.
- vi. The Chairperson, or in their absence a member selected by the Club Committee, shall take the chair. Each member present shall have one vote and resolutions shall be passed by a two-thirds majority. In the event of an equality of votes the Chairperson of the Meeting shall have a casting vote.
- vii. The Club Secretary, or in their absence a member of the Club Committee, shall enter Minutes of General Meetings into the Minute Book of the Club.

7. FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

- i. The financial year shall run from 1st January to 31st December each year.
- ii. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the preparation of Annual Accounts of the Club.
- iii. All cheques drawn against the Clubs funds shall be signed by the treasurer or one of three other nominated officers

8. TRUSTEES

i. The Club shall have the power to buy, sell or lease lands, to borrow money and to mortgage or charge real property for the benefit of the Club, and this power shall be vested in the Trustees of the Club. "Real property" shall mean the property of the Club of an immovable nature comprising any playing pitches, grounds or buildings, whether leasehold or freehold tenure, with all fixtures or fittings attached thereto.

ii. There shall be at least three and not more than seven Trustees of the Club.

iii. The real property of the Club shall be held in trust by the Trustees of the Club for the Club. The Trustees of the real property shall sign a Declaration of Trust, as approved by the Club Committee, in relation to any real property acquired by the Club, so as to ensure that any such real property remains under the permanent control of the Club and that there is certainty of legal ownership by the Club, and that such real property shall be utilised for and dedicated solely to the aims of the Club.

iv. Each Trustee shall hold office for life or until he/she resigns. On the death or resignation of a Trustee, the vacancy shall be filled at the next AGM or an SGM if required. Proposals for the filling of the vacancy shall reach the Secretary in writing at least seven days in advance of the AGM or SGM. The name of the proposer and seconder shall accompany the nomination.

v. The Club shall indemnify and save harmless its Trustees in respect of any loss or expenses bona fide incurred by the Trustees in or about the execution of their duties as Trustees. The Club Committee is empowered to effect insurance or avail of any other indemnity protection available to protect the Trustees against risk.

vi. No personal liability shall attach to any Trustee for any loss not attributable to the Trustees own dishonesty, or to wilful commission by a Trustee of any act known to be a breach of trust.

vii. The Club shall not incur any single expenditure exceeding €10,000 without the consent in writing of the Trustees of the Club.

viii. The Trustees may at any time attend meetings of the Club Committee to clarify any issues relating to insurance/loans/maintenance and development of Club real property, providing that at least seven days prior notice of the Trustees' attendance has been given to the Secretary.

ix. The Trustees may appoint one Trustee to sit on the Club Committee as a voting member.

x. Decisions of the Trustees may be made by way of majority.

xi. The Trustees shall meet as and when necessary, but in any event, shall meet the Treasurer at least once annually to review the Club assets and trust funds.

9. DISSOLUTION

- i. The Club is a non-profit making organisation. All profits and surpluses will be used to maintain or improve or develop the Club's facilities or to carry out the objects of the Association to which it is affiliated. No profit or surplus will be distributed other than to another non-profit making body on a winding-up or dissolution of the Club.
- ii. If, upon the winding up or dissolution of the Club there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, the same shall be transferred to some other organisation or organisations having objectives similar to the objectives of the Club, such organisation or organisations to be determined by the members of the Club by Resolution passed at a General meeting or in the absence of such a resolution (or that the extent to which it cannot be given effect) to the Association to which the Club is affiliated.

Dated 23rd May 2019

Proposed Marie Carroll

Seconded Mary Fitzgerald

Signed 

Tony O'Byrne

Chairperson Mungret Regional Football Club