



THE CONSTITUTION  
– OF –  
THE BRITISH ROYALIST SOCIETY

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON  
THE 3<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2019.

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VICE-CHAIRMAN

PREAMBLE

**B**EING resolved to defend and secure the Crown as the sole arbiter of the sovereignty of this Realm, we, whose names are underwritten, loyal subjects of His Most Excellent Majesty King Charles III, beseeching the grace of Almighty God, do hereby pledge ourselves to using all means which may be found necessary to repel and combat republicanism in Britain.

IN THE FACE of those forces which seek to imperil the Throne and constitution of the United Kingdom, we do solemnly and mutually vow to uphold and defend all privileges and authorities belonging or pertaining to the King's Majesty, his heirs and successors, or united or annexed to the imperial crown of this Realm.

IN SURE confidence that God will defend the right, we hereto establish and ordain this constitution for the formation of the British Royalist Society.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL BE STRICTLY OBSERVED

ARTICLE I

In this Constitution, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (A) “The Society” shall mean the British Royalist Society as hereby established.
- (B) “The Board” shall mean the Board of Directors of Royalist Campaign Ltd.
- (C) “The Council” shall mean the Council of the British Royalist Society.
- (D) “The Regulations” or “the Regulation” shall mean the Regulations set forth in the Schedule hereto.
- (E) Words importing the singular number only shall include the plural number and *vice versa*, words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine gender and words importing persons shall include corporations.
- (F) The Preamble to this Constitution forms no part of the operative provisions hereof. It may be amended by resolution of the Council to reflect changes in circumstance, including but not limited to a change of sovereign, without recourse to the amendment procedure prescribed in Article V(viii). No such amendment shall alter the fundamental objects or spirit of the Society as expressed therein.

ARTICLE II

The objects of the Society shall be:

- (i) To encourage wider appreciation of the political and cultural importance of the monarchy in the United Kingdom.
- (ii) To oppose organised republicanism and interest groups intending to imperil the Throne and constitution of the United Kingdom.
- (iii) To defend in the United Kingdom all jurisdictions and authorities belonging to His Majesty, his heirs and successors.

ARTICLE III

Legal status:

- (i) The Society operates as an affiliate of Royalist Campaign Ltd, a company limited by guarantee and registered in England and Wales under the Companies Act 2006.
- (ii) The name the *British Royalist Society*, together with all associated intellectual property, assets, communications, and other proprietary material, is the legal property of Royalist Campaign Ltd.
- (iii) The Society shall be governed in accordance with this Constitution, provided that nothing herein shall be construed to override the legal authority of the Directors of

Royalist Campaign Ltd.

- (iv) There shall be a Council, which may advise and act upon matters consistent with this Constitution, and may propose initiatives, expenditures, and appointments, which shall be subject to ratification or rejection by the Board of Directors where required by law or by the Articles of Association.
- (v) Membership of the British Royalist Society, as defined under the Constitution and Regulations, does not confer membership of Royalist Campaign Ltd under the Companies Act 2006, nor shall Members of the Society possess any legal rights, responsibilities, or entitlements in respect of the Company.
- (vi) The legal and financial affairs of the Society shall be administered through Royalist Campaign Ltd, which retains full control and liability over such affairs in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation
- (vii) The Society may establish classes of Membership for its internal purposes as set forth in the Regulations, which shall be subject to oversight but not direction by the Company, except where financial and reputational matters are concerned.
- (viii) The Council may establish a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) or similar protocol governing the cooperation and dispute resolution between the two bodies.

#### ARTICLE IV

The Council shall have power:

- (i) To form local branches and committees and to organise meetings and publish and sell or distribute papers, books of instruction, pamphlets and information for the purpose of stimulating interest in and promoting the objects of the Society and to take all other measures which may seem necessary for providing and maintaining an efficient organisation for the purpose of the Society.
- (ii) To make and carry out any arrangement for joint working or co-operation with any other Society or body on work similar to any work for the time being carried on by the Society.
- (iii) To do all such other acts and things as are or may be deemed incidental or conducive to the attainment of any of the purposes of the Society.

#### ARTICLE V

It is stipulated that:

- (i) The Society shall be unsectarian and independent of party politics.
- (ii) The Society shall have two patrons: a Patron, appointed by invitation of the Council from time to time; and an Ecclesiastical Patron, who shall be a distinguished clergyman of the Church of England or the Church of Scotland, appointed in the

same manner.

- (iii) The Chief Executive Officer of Royalist Campaign Ltd shall serve ex officio as the Chairman of the Society.
- (iv) There shall be a Vice-Chairman of the Society who shall hold Office at the pleasure of the Chairman. Vice-Chairmen shall be appointed in accordance with the Regulations.
- (v) The affairs of the Society shall be controlled by members of the Council of the British Royalist Society, including a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Treasurer, a Director of Communications, a Head of Operations and such other such Officers, not exceeding eleven in number, as may from time to time be appointed.
- (vi) An Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held once in every year at such a time and place as shall be prescribed by the Regulations.
- (vii) The affairs of the Society shall be managed and regulated in accordance with the Regulations. Any of the Regulations may from time to time be altered, added to or repealed by a resolution passed by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the persons present and voting at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Society duly convened for that purpose, and any new Regulations may from time to time be made in the like manner. No new Regulation and no such alteration, addition or repeal as aforesaid shall have any force or effect if it is repugnant to any of the provisions of this Constitution or the Articles of Association of Royalist Campaign Ltd.
- (viii) The Society may alter, amend or add to this Constitution by a resolution passed by a majority of not less than three-quarters of the Members present and voting at an Extraordinary Meeting duly convened for the purpose, and any such alteration, amendment or addition shall become effectual so that this Constitution shall thenceforth continue to operate as though it had originally been made accordingly.
- (ix) The Society at an Extraordinary Meeting convened for the purpose of the winding up or dissolution of the Society shall be directed by such Extraordinary General Meeting.

## ARTICLE VI Constitutional Convention

- (i) Upon the first vacation of the office of the Chairman of the Society following the adoption of this Constitution, the Council shall, within sixty days of such vacation being formally recognised, convene a Constitutional Convention of the Society.
- (ii) All Members of the Society in good standing shall be entitled to attend and participate in the Constitutional Convention, including the right to speak, move motions and vote upon matters before it.

- (iii) The quorum for the Constitutional Convention shall be not less than one-third of the Members of the Society in good standing at the date of the notice convening the Convention. If a quorum is not achieved, the Council shall reconvene the Convention within thirty days. If quorum is again not achieved at the reconvened Convention, the Council shall determine by resolution how to proceed, having regard to the spirit and purposes of this Article.
- (iv) The Constitutional Convention shall have the following mandate:
- (a) To review the constitutional arrangements of the Society in light of changed circumstances and, if it thinks fit, propose such amendments to this Constitution as may broaden the democratic participation of Members in the governance of the Society; and
  - (b) Any amendments proposed under (iii)(a) shall be subject to the provisions of Article V(viii) and shall not take effect until passed by the requisite majority therein prescribed.
- (v) Nothing in this Article shall be construed as empowering the Constitutional Convention to alter or affect the legal structure of the Society, the Articles of Association of Royalist Campaign Ltd, or the authority of the Directors of Royalist Campaign Ltd over the financial and legal affairs of the Society.
- (vi) The Council shall publish notice of the Constitutional Convention to all Members no fewer than twenty-one days before it is convened, specifying the date, place and agenda.
- (vii) Any Member wishing to propose an amendment to this Constitution for consideration by the Convention shall submit such proposal in writing to the Council no fewer than twenty-one days before the Convention. The Council shall circulate all such proposals to the entire membership upon receipt, and no amendment not so submitted shall be competent business before the Convention.
- (viii) No amendment to this Constitution proposed at the Constitutional Convention shall be carried except by a majority of not less than four-fifths of the Members present and voting. Any amendment so carried shall be subject to the provisions of Article V(viii) and shall not take effect until the ratification period prescribed in clause (x) of this Article has elapsed.
- (ix) Any amendment to this Constitution carried at the Constitutional Convention shall be submitted forthwith to the Board of Directors of Royalist Campaign Ltd for review. A ratification period of sixty days shall follow, during which the Directors of Royalist Campaign Ltd may determine whether such amendment is consistent with the Articles of Association of the Company. No amendment shall take effect until the ratification period has elapsed without objection, or until any inconsistency

identified has been resolved to the satisfaction of the Directors.

- (x) Until the incoming Chairman takes office, the Vice-Chairman shall discharge the duties of the Chairman on a temporary basis. In the absence of a Vice-Chairman, such duties shall fall to the Council member who has served continuously in that capacity for the longest period. In the event of a dispute as to seniority, the Council shall resolve the matter by majority vote at its next quorate meeting.
- (xi) This Article shall have effect once only. It shall be deemed spent upon the conclusion of the first Constitutional Convention held hereunder, including the expiry of any ratification period under clause (ix).

## SCHEDULE

### THE REGULATIONS OF THE BRITISH ROYALIST SOCIETY

1. The provisions of the Constitution of the British Royalist Society shall be strictly observed, and in the event of any inconsistency howsoever arising between the provisions of the Constitution and the provisions of the Articles of Association of Royalist Campaign Ltd, the provisions of the Articles shall prevail.

#### *Logo and Symbols*

2. The Society's logo and symbols shall be determined and approved by resolution of the Council.

#### *Patrons*

3. The Council may, in accordance with the Constitution, invite a number of Patrons by resolution at a usual meeting who will hold that Office at its pleasure.

#### *Chairman*

4. The Chief Executive Officer of Royalist Campaign Ltd shall ex officio be the Chairman of the Society.

#### *Vice-Chairman*

5. The Chairman may, at their discretion, appoint a Vice-Chairman who serves at their pleasure.

#### *Council*

6. The management of the affairs of the Society shall be vested in the Council, which may, in respect of the affairs of the Society exercise all such powers and do all such things as may conduce to the furtherance of the objects of the Society and which are not by the Constitution expressly directed to be exercised or done by the Society in General Meeting.
7. Certain patrons may, on resolution of the Council, have the right to attend the Council and to speak, move resolutions, but not to vote, and shall be deemed supernumerary.
8. The Council, in accordance with the Constitution, shall consist of not more than 11 persons.
9. The Council may also include one Member elected by the Membership by resolution at a General Meeting.
10. Council Members' terms of office are indefinite until resignation, removal or incapacity in accordance with section 14 of the Regulations.
11. The term of office for the Officers of the Society, namely the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, Director of Communications, and Head of Operations, is indefinite until resignation, removal or incapacity in accordance with section 14 of the Regulations.
12. Appointments to any office or trust held under the Society are conditional upon prospective appointees swearing an Oath of Allegiance or making a Solemn Affirmation to the Crown.
13. The Council may appoint Officers, notwithstanding the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, by resolution at a usual meeting.
14. Members and Officers of the Council shall vacate:
  - (a) if they become incapable by reason of mental capacity;
  - (b) if they are adjudicated bankrupt or are the subject of a receiving order;
  - (c) if by notice in writing to the Principal Secretary they resign;
  - (d) if they have been subject to a resolution that they should resign;
  - (e) if they are subject to criminal conviction.
15. In the event of a casual vacancy arising amongst the Officers of the Council, the Chairman may appoint a replacement to serve until the next quorate meeting, at which time the appointment shall be confirmed or a new election held.
16. The Council may establish a Disciplinary Committee empowered to investigate and determine complaints against Members or Officers. Where a Member is found to

have acted contrary to the interests of the Society, the Committee may recommend suspension or expulsion, subject to appeal provisions in the Regulations.

17. The Council may meet for the dispatch of business and adjourn and otherwise regulate their respective proceedings as they think fit.
18. A quorum for a meeting of the Council shall be five Members entitled to vote, of whom one must be the Chairman or Vice Chairman.
19. Questions arising at any Meeting of the Council shall be decided by a majority of votes. In case of an equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.
20. A Meeting of the Council at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all or any of the authorities, powers and discretions under the Constitution or Regulations vested in or exercisable by them generally.
21. The Council may delegate any of their powers to a Committee or Sub-Committees.

#### *Members*

22. There shall be a number of other classes of Members of the Society. The Council is at liberty, with the approval of the Board, to establish classes of Membership and set the rates of subscription.
23. Only those individuals who subscribe to the Objects of the Society as specified in Article 2 of the Constitution shall be eligible for membership.
24. The process for approval of applications for election to Membership of the Society shall be directed by the Council.
25. Membership of the Society shall be terminated if the Member:
  - (a) has been subject to a resolution terminating their Membership;
  - (b) is two months in arrears of Membership subscription;
  - (c) dies;
  - (d) or has given due notice of resignation.

#### *Local Groups*

26. New local groups may be established in any part of the United Kingdom with the sanction of the Council. Each group shall have the right to elect a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman from time to time and shall inform the Council of those elections.
27. The Constitution and the Regulations shall apply to all local groups throughout the United Kingdom. Additional Rules may be sanctioned by the Council, not being

inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution and the Regulations.

### *General Meetings*

28. All Members shall be entitled to attend all General Meetings.
29. The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held once a year at such place and at such time, being not less than two months after the date of such determination, as the Council may determine.
30. At least 21 days' notice of every General Meeting of the Society, exclusive of the day on which the notice is served but inclusive of the day for which the Meeting is called, specifying the day and hour of the Meeting, and the general nature of the business to be transacted, shall be given by notice to every Member. In exceptional circumstances, the Council might resolve that a General Meeting should be conducted by videoconferencing or a hybrid. In such cases, the Council shall determine precisely how the meeting should be conducted so that the spirit of these Regulations may be observed.
31. The ordinary business of the Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be to receive and consider the Annual Report of the Council. All other business transacted at any Annual General Meeting, and all business transacted at a General Meeting, shall be deemed special.
32. Twenty persons entitled to vote, being personally present, shall be a quorum.
33. Each Member entitled to vote shall have one vote. The Council may specify which classes of Members are eligible to vote at General Meetings.
34. The Council shall present at every Annual General Meeting of the Society a report on the state and condition of the Society and the progress of its work.
35. Any adjournment of the Meeting shall be made by resolution.
36. At any General Meeting, a declaration by the Chairman that a Resolution has been carried or carried by a specified majority, or lost or not carried by a specified majority, shall be recorded. This shall be conclusive evidence without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against such Resolution.