

Dunfermline District Pipe Band

Constitution

1. Name

Dunfermline District Pipe Band, (The organisation) is a registered Scottish Charity with the following registration details:

Registered Charity Name:	Dunfermline District Pipe Band
Registration Number:	SC025322

The charity is also known as **The Dunfermline District (RBL Scot) Pipe Band**.

2. Objectives

The objectives of the Band are:

- a. To advance the education of the public in the art of music, in particular Piping and Drumming, by the presentation of public performances and other related activities and furtherance thereof by:
- b. Arrange tuition for prospective members in both Piping and Drumming.
- c. Participate, where practicable, in competitions thereby providing an opportunity for band members to gain experience from competition with other bands.
- d. Contribute a service to the community by being available to play at Galas, Fetes, memorial services, etc.
- e. Raise funds to purchase instruments and uniforms for use by band members and to meet other running costs of the Band.

3. Membership

Members will be defined as those who have paid the subscription as set by the Committee.

4. Office Bearers and Committee

- a. Office Bearers, including a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- b. Committee members are the charity's trustees.
- c. Committee members (subject to a minimum of six and a maximum of twenty) shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- d. The Pipe Major will be elected by members, and will automatically become a Committee member.
- e. Should the position of any Committee member become vacant during the current year, the Committee shall have the power to co-opt a member to that position.
- f. No two family members may be office bearers.
- g. Up to four members of the band, who are below the age of 18, may attend Committee meetings and take part in discussions but are not able to vote on any matter.

5. Committee Meetings

- a. The Committee will meet regularly (at least four times per year) at a time and place to be agreed, to consider the affairs of the Band.
- b. Extra meetings of the Committee can be called any Committee member with a minimum of seven days' notice to all Committee members.
- c. Six members shall form a quorum for all meetings and if a quorum be not present within thirty minutes of the hour called for the meeting no business shall be transacted.
- d. The Committee shall have the power to deal with any contingency for which provision is not specifically made within this Constitution.

6. Finance

- a. All monies raised by or on behalf of the Band shall be applied to further the objectives of the Band and for no other purpose providing that nothing herein contained shall prevent the payment in good faith of reasonable and proper remuneration to any member of the Band and fees to professional and technical advisers or the repayment to members of the Committee for reasonable out of pocket expenses.
- b. The Treasurer shall keep proper accounts of the finances of the Band and submit a financial report at each trustee meeting.
- c. The funds of the Band shall be administered by the Committee who shall invest funds in such securities and investments as they decide. The bank account and all securities or investments shall be in the name of the Band.
- d. Appropriate insurance cover shall be maintained.
- e. The signature of two office bearers shall be required to withdraw monies from the bank. In the case of electronic / online banking then dual authorisation shall be utilised.
- f. The trustees shall prepare an Annual Report & Accounts each year in accordance with current charity accounting legislation.
- g. The Annual Report & Accounts shall be audited or independently examined in accordance with current charity accounting legislation by an auditor or independent examiner appointed by the trustees.

7. General Meetings

An Annual General Meeting shall be held each year for the following purposes:

- a. Election of Office Bearers and other Committee members for the ensuing year.
- b. Consideration of the audited or independently examined Annual Report & Accounts.
- c. Any other competent business that may be properly dealt with at such a meeting.

8. Training Facilities

- a. Training facilities will be arranged by the Committee at times and locations suitable to members.

9. Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of the Band any assets remaining after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities shall not be paid or distributed among the members of the Band, but shall be given or transferred to a recognised charitable body having objects similar to those of this Band.

This constitution, which supersedes all previous versions, was adopted by the trustees on 12th Dec 2019.

JR McIntyre
Chairperson

K Armstrong
Secretary