AGM - Elections

Trustees

At the AGM and according to the club constitution, the club must appoint a management committee consisting of at least three people among the club chairman/woman, vice-chairman/woman, club secretary, treasurer and leader. Members of this management committee are the charity trustees. The Charity Commission will see this committee as holding legal responsibility for the day-to-day management of the club, ensuring it is meeting its charitable objectives and legal requirements.

All of these committee members must have reached their 18th birthday and they act as the trustees with legal responsibility for the management of the club. The committee can co-opt a minority of members under 18 without powers to vote on matters that affect the management of the charity.

The club can also form other sub-committees for specific purposes, such as programming or event organisation. These sub-committees cannot act without the authority of the club committee.

Your club may have elected trustees and they are recognised as holding trustees by the Charity Commission but are not the trustees of your club. Holding trustees are responsible for your club's assets, investments and reserve funds. It's their responsibility to make sure all of these are working well for your club, for example, earning the highest rate of interest available.

Officers and club leaders

At the AGM, the following club officers are elected from among the members: chair, vice-chair, club secretary and treasurer. Additional officers can be appointed if desired. All elected officers undertake the role for a year and can be re-elected.

Someone who is a member of two or more YFCs cannot hold office in, or represent, more than one club at a time.

The club leader is also elected by the club at the AGM. Before the AGM, a committee made up of the retiring club committee and the advisory committee meets to nominate a person as its candidate for election as club leader. This doesn't prevent members from making their own nominations. The retiring club leader is also eligible for re-election.

Even if a club leader is 28 or under, this person can still take part in all activities.

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