



# Birmingham Inventors

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(b) The election of the officers of the committee

(c) The election of the audit group leader;

(d) Subscriptions or such other business as shall have been communicated to the secretary and included in the notice of the meeting sent by

him to the members.

**12) EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS** An extraordinary general meeting may be convened at any time on requisition by one quarter of the members of the club for the time being or 12 members whichever is the less. Such requisition must state the purpose for which such meeting is required. It will normally be held to coincide with a meeting of the club. If urgent and practical, it shall be held within 28 days of the requisition.

**13) NOTICE OF MEETINGS** The honorary secretary shall, at least 14 days before any general meeting, send to every member at his last recorded address, a notice of the meeting stating the time when and the place where it will be held and the business to be conducted.

**14) BUSINESS AT A GENERAL MEETING** The business at a general meeting shall be limited to that provided by these rules and those further matters set out in the notice convening the meeting. The quorum at any general meeting shall be eight members.

**15) VOTES** At general meetings of the club each paid up member over the age of 18 years shall have one vote. In the case of a tie the chairman shall have the casting vote.

**16) CHAIRMAN** The chairman of the club shall preside at all meetings of the club but, if he shall not be present within 15 minutes after the time appointed for the meeting or has signified his inability to attend the meeting, the members present and entitled to vote shall choose one of their number to be the chairman of the meeting.

**17) EXPULSION OF MEMBERS** The committee shall have power to expel any member who shall offend against the rules of the club or whose conduct shall in the opinion of a majority of two thirds of the committee present render him unfit for membership. Before any such expulsion is effected, the secretary shall give the member 7 days written notice to attend a meeting of the committee to hear the complaints made and for the member to answer those complaints.

**18) TEMPORARY MEMBERS/GUESTS** The committee shall be empowered to elect temporary members of the club on such terms as it decides, but any such temporary member shall only be permitted to attend any meeting after completion of rule 3 with regard to signing the clubs' mutual confidentiality undertaking. The number of such members shall not exceed one-tenth of the normal membership of the club.

**19) MODIFICATION OF RULES** No alteration or addition to these rules shall be made except by a resolution carried by a majority of at least two-thirds of the members present at a general meeting, notice of which shall have contained particulars of the proposed alteration or addition.

**20) IMPROVEMENTS** Improvements to an invention declared at a meeting belong solely to the inventor of the original idea, even if not improved by him.

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