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## 1.0 Name

1.01 The society’s name shall be **GinSoc (St George’s Gin Appreciation Society).**

## 2.0 Aim and Objectives

2.01 The aim of the society shall be: **to provide a platform for lovers of gin to meet, unwind and sample different gins from around the world. We also aim to promote a relaxed environment with no pressure or expectations. Any binge drinking events e.g Circles, will not be tolerated.**

2.02 This shall be achieved by:

* **Regular meetings on Tuesday evenings**
* **Liaising with bar manager Richard Ison with regards to “Gin Tuesday’s Deal” at the SU bar and stocking new types of gin**
* **Planned outings to tastings e.g. Gin Festival London 2017 (17th-19th Feb), distilleries etc.**

## 3.0 Membership

3.01 Membership of the society will be open to all members of the SGSU in accordance with SGSU Constitution and Policy.

3.02 Members of the society shall act in accordance with SGSU Constitution and Policy.

## 4.0 Subscription and Finance

4.01 A membership fee (**e.g. £5** **for this year, 2016-**17) is required from all society members. The society committee shall determine this fee each year and are responsible for its collection.

4.02 The society’s financial matters shall be dealt with in accordance with SGSU Constitution & Policy.

## 5.0 Society Officials

5.01 An elected committee will facilitate the running of the society.

5.02 The committee shall ensure that the society abides by the Constitution.

5.03 The committee will consist of the following officers who shall be members of SGSU:

* **President (this can be a joint role)**
* **Treasurer**
* **General Secretary**
* **Social Secretary (this can be a joint role)**

5.04 The committee will serve for one academic year

## 6.0 Duties of the Society Officials

6.01 The society President is responsible for:

* **Overall responsibility of the society**
* **Facilitating the weekly meetings**
* **Ensuring the other committee members are active and engaged**

6.02 The society Treasurer is responsible for:

* **The organisation of yearly subs**
* **Helping the President liaise with the SU bar and external companies concerning deals and trips**

6.03 The society General Secretary is responsible for:

* **Organisation of room bookings and the location of events**
* **Supporting the President and Treasurer with any necessary paperwork**
* **Taking minutes for all committee meetings**

6.04 The Social Secretary is responsible for:

* **Maintaining George’s spirit (preferably gin)**
* **Planning of regular outings**
* **Obtaining feedback from society members about ideas they’d like to try**

## 7.0 Meetings

7.01 The society committee shall meet regularly during term time. **This should be approximately once-monthly.**

7.02 Regular committee meetings are required to discuss all society matters. Minutes shall be made available to SGSU for ratification.

## 8.0 Voting

8.01 This will take place for the election of Officials **at the Annual General Meeting** and any other issue that the society deems of importance. **This should be done by self-nomination and volunteering for the role.**

8.02 Only society members will be entitled to vote.

8.03 The results of any election shall be passed to the SU Societies Officer and the SU General Secretary at the earliest opportunity.

8.04 **The Annual General Meeting, and hence voting of new committee, will be a drinking-free evening.**

## 9.0 Changes to the Society Constitution

9.01 Changes can be implemented if a two-thirds majority is obtained at an annual or extraordinary general meeting of the society.

9.02 Any changes shall be deemed provisional until passed to the SU Societies Officer and the SU General Secretary at the earliest opportunity and subsequently ratified.

## 10.0 Society Complaints Procedure

10.01 Any complaints shall be dealt with in accordance with SGSU Constitution and Policy.

## 11.0 SGSU Commitments

11.01 The society shall adhere to SGSU Constitution and Policy.

## 12.0 Discipline

12.01 Any disciplinary matters shall be dealt with in accordance with SGSU Constitution and Policy.

## 13.0 Declaration

I declare that the **GinSoc (St George’s Gin Appreciation Society)** shall abide by this Constitution, drawn up on this the **11th** **day of the** **10th month, 2016.**

**---------------------------------------------------------------------- Society Co-President 2016-17**

**-----------------------------------------------------------------------Society Co-President 2016-17**

I declare that this Constitution has been ratified by SGSU and the **GinSoc (St George’s Gin Appreciation Society)** is hereby recognised by SGSU.

**---------------------------------------------------------------------- SGSU Societies Officer 2016-17**

**---------------------------------------------------------------------- SGSU General Secretary 2016-17**