

ADDEDUM TO SCAPEGOAT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH CONSTITUTION

Approved in a Special Church Members Meeting – 30th November 2025

Terminology – these terms are interchangeable and mean the same thing
Church – Constitution Charity Commission – Governing Document
Church – Deacon Charity Commission – Charity Trustee

Reference 8.3

The Church has, on occasions, struggled to reach a quorum in Members Meetings due to the number of Members who do not attend church.

Moving forward, references in the Governing Document to a Member now refer to a Voting Member.

The Church Members Meeting in November will consider any Voting Members who have not attended in the last twelve months with the option to transfer them from Voting Member to Non-Voting Member. Non-Voting Members will still be regarded and loved as part of our immediate Church Family – the only difference being the loss of voting rights and the right to stand as an official of the Church. This must be explained with love and respect to any individual ideally by a personal visit from two Charity Trustees.

Reference 7.4

Applications for Church Membership should be made in writing to the Church Secretary.

Reference 13.4

Two Charity Trustees must be present to open and count any postal votes received.

Reference 13.11

The minimum age for voting in a Church Members Meeting will be 18.

Reference 13.12

Two Charity Trustees must be present to witness and count any voting by Zoom.

Reference 14.1

The minutes of any Church Members Meeting shall be distributed to all Church Members as soon as possible after the meeting has been held along with the agenda and date of the next meeting

Reference 15.4

The maximum number of Charity Trustees including the Treasurer and Secretary but not the Minister is 12.

Reference 17.2

The Charity trustees will meet monthly

Reference 17.3

A quorum for the Charity Trustees monthly meeting will be two thirds.

Reference 25.1

Extraordinary expenditure over £2000 must be submitted for approval to the Church Members Meeting along with three quotations.

[Reference 28.4](#)

In the event of the Church closing the Church Members agree that the funds to be split equally to the following Charities. This list will be reviewed each year in the Annual Church Meeting.

1 - Baptist Missionary Society

2 – Tree of Life Centre

3 - Operation Agri

4 - Kirkwood Hospice

5 - Forget Me Not Hospice

6 - The Welcome Centre

7 – Samaritans Purse

Signed by the following Charity Trustees of Scapegoat Hill Baptist Church on 30th November 2025
(Signatures on original copy only)

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