

BRACKNELL FOREST CHRISTIAN NETWORK

CONSTITUTION

1. Basis and Commitment

Bracknell Forest Christian Network (BFCN) is a partnership of individuals and congregations in Bracknell Forest. BFCN members commit themselves to enriching their fellowship with one another, so as to fulfil their mission to proclaim the Christian Gospel by common witness and service in our community.

2. Aims and Objectives

- To promote greater awareness of the action of the Churches in our local community
- To engage in action on matters of social concern locally, working alongside organisations with similar aims including those of other faiths

3. Membership

Membership is open to individuals and representatives of local Church congregations, including Church leaders.

4. Committee

BFCN shall elect annually from its membership: a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer who, together with others co-opted, shall collectively constitute a Committee. The Chairman shall not normally serve for more than two consecutive years.

5. Meetings

BFCN shall hold meetings as necessary during the year including an Annual General Meeting (AGM). The committee shall meet at least once between full meetings.

6. Working Groups

The Committee may appoint working groups as and when necessary, and shall give them their brief. The Committee may also appoint individual members to represent BFCN on outside bodies.

Any working groups and individuals thus appointed shall represent BFCN and fulfil tasks on its behalf. They shall keep BFCN informed of their work, where appropriate.

7. Finance

Members and congregations shall be asked to contribute at the beginning of each year to the expenses of BFCN for that year (January to December). A statement of accounts shall be provided to members at the AGM.

8. Amendments to this Constitution

Amendments to this Constitution shall be notified to and agreed by the AGM.

9. Functions of the Committee

- To pray together for the work and members of BFCN.
- To meet between full meetings of BFCN and to make executive decisions after prayerful consideration and in accordance with the Aims and Objectives of BFCN as defined in the Constitution.
- To appoint, brief, co-ordinate and support individuals and working groups as required, so as to ensure that the decisions of BFCN are carried out.
- To undertake the financial and secretarial administration of BFCN and to set the agenda for its full meetings.