# RULES AND CONSTITUTION

1. The name of the society shall be **CHESTERFIELD PSYCHIC STUDY GROUP** and its abbreviated name shall be **CPSG**.
2. The aim of the society shall be to discuss, investigate, research and develop knowledge of the Paranormal.
3. Membership of the society shall be open to anyone aged 16 or above but minors aged 12 – 15 will be admitted as visitors if accompanied by a parent or guardian.
4. Meetings of the society shall be held monthly.
5. The committee of the society shall consist of seven elected persons, including Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. In addition, should any approved affiliated sub-group not be represented on the committee by an elected member, the Leader of that sub-group or a nominated representative shall be a non-voting member of the committee in an *ex-officio* capacity.
6. The elected members of the committee shall hold office for two years.
7. Any committee member may be re-elected for a further two year period.
8. New members to the committee shall be elected at the **Annual General Meeting** (AGM).
9. Nominations for the committee shall be proposed and seconded. Only members of the Society shall be eligible to stand for election to the committee.
10. Any member who wishes to stand for a committee position but is unable to attend the AGM should submit confirmation of his / her willingness to stand, in writing, prior to the meeting.
11. The financial year shall be from January to December.
12. The **Annual General Meeting** shall be held in February.
13. Any member or visitor disrupting a meeting may be asked to leave by any member of the committee; also membership of the society may be cancelled at the discretion of the committee.
14. Suggestions or complaints should be passed to the Secretary, either in person or in writing.
15. A special committee meeting can be called by five committee members.
16. The committee has the power to co-opt extra committee members as required, subject to the overall size of the committee conforming to rule 5.
17. The committee will authorise the subsidy of any affiliated sub-group after discussion.
18. Membership of any affiliated sub-group is open to CPSG members only.
19. Any profits made by an affiliated sub-group must be paid into the CPSG account.
20. The decision of the committee shall be final.
21. This constitution may only be amended at a general meeting of the society.
22. The accounts of the group shall be examined prior to each AGM by a member other than the Treasurer.