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Border Rambler Disciplinary Process

The Directors of the Border Rambler C.I.C. will always attempt to resolve complaints and issues sensitively, quickly, informally and with the minimum of fuss. This will normally involve a conversation with the member concerned by one of the Directors. Success is never having to use this procedure but on the hopefully rare occasion that a formal process is needed, then the following will apply.

Stage 1 - On receipt of information requiring attention the Chair will nominate one of the Directors to deal informally with the issue by speaking with the individual(s) concerned.

Stage 2 - If the problem continues or is not satisfactorily resolved, the Chair will nominate a different Director to produce a written record of the issue and the informal action taken. The Directors will consider this matter at a meeting of Directors and either take no further action or issue a written warning letter to the individual(s) concerned. The warning letter would remain "live" for 12months during which any continuation or re-occurrence of the issue would be reconsidered by the Directors and may result in the termination of the individual's membership.

Stage 3 - The Chair will consider any appeal from the individual concerned, in writing, if submitted within 5 days of the notice to terminate membership. The Chair's decision to be final. There is no appeal against the issue of a warning letter. Any conduct considered to be "gross misconduct" may result in the immediate termination of membership. "Gross Misconduct" would include misuse of drugs including alcohol, theft/dishonesty, undisclosed previous convictions, suspension/withdrawal of driving licence, dangerous driving, violence, offensive words/behaviour, bringing the Border Rambler into disrepute, a serious breach of Health and Safety policy, harassment, misuse of buses or equipment and any other conduct/behaviour deemed to be gross misconduct by the Directors.

The grant and termination of membership of Border Rambler C.I.C. is a matter wholly under the control of the Directors.

Passengers

A similar procedure of informal action/formal written warning will be used for unacceptable conduct/behaviour by passengers, ultimately leading to a refusal to be carried for a set period, normally 6months on the first breach, unlimited on second or subsequent breaches. There is no appeal against a "refusal to be carried".