

# BSBI Committee for Scotland Constitution

## 1. Name

The name of the Committee shall be “The BSBI Committee for Scotland”.

## 2. Status

The Committee shall act under the aegis of the BSBI and shall function as the Society’s Scottish Regional Committee. Its Constitution shall be subject to the approval of the Council of the BSBI.

## 3. Objects

a) To further the interests of the BSBI in Scotland, particularly in respect to the arranging of a programme of meetings, including field meetings, and with regard to matters concerning conservation, recording, recruitment and any other relevant matters concerning the Society’s activities where these relate to Scotland.

b) To provide liaison between the Society and other bodies with similar or allied interests in Scotland, in particular the Botanical Society of Scotland.

## 4. Composition

The Committee shall consist of a **Chairman**, a **Vice-chairman**, a Hon. **Secretary/Treasurer**, a Hon. **Meetings Secretary**, a Hon. **Field Meetings Secretary** and **not more than five additional Elected Members**. The Committee shall have the power to **co-opt** one or two additional members at their discretion, these to be **Appointed Members**. In the case of emergency the Committee shall have the power to fill vacancies.

## 5. Quorum

**Five** members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

## 6. Nominations and Elections

Nominations for membership of the Committee shall be in writing, with the candidate’s consent, and signed by two members of the Society, to be in the hands of the Hon. Secretary at least 28 days before the Annual General Meeting. In the event of insufficient nominations the Committee shall have the power to nominate additional candidates. Any election shall be by ballot. The Elected Members of the Committee shall serve for three years, but may be re-elected for a further three year term of office. Thereafter they shall not be eligible for re-election until the expiry of one year. One third of the membership shall retire annually in rotation. The Appointed Members shall be appointed annually. The Officers shall be elected annually by the Committee, with the exception of the Chairman who shall serve for two years and be eligible for a further two years.

## **7. Annual General Meeting**

An Annual General Meeting shall be held for the purpose of presenting the annual report, to elect members of the Committee, and to transact any other competent business.