

Constitution - The Darwin Society

September 2013

1. TITLE

1.1 The Society shall be called "Christ's College Darwin Society" or "Darwin Society".

2. AIMS

2.1 The aims of the Darwin Society are:

- a) to organise academic talks for members of the society (and members of the university as a whole where possible).
- b) to organise events for NST students within the college.
- c) to provide opportunities for those with an interest in science to interact, both academically and socially.

3. MEMBERSHIP

3.1 The Darwin Society is open to any member of Christ's College with an interest in science.

4. ORGANISATION

4.1 The organisation of the Darwin Society is the following:

- a) Committee.
- b) Members.

4.2 The Committee

a) It is the responsibility of the Committee to decide all matters of common interest to the Darwin Society.

4.3 The Membership

- a) The membership shall consist of voting members of the Darwin Society.
- b) All members of the Committee shall also be Members of the Society.

4.4 Membership of the Committee

- a) The Committee shall be composed of the President of the Society and up to six general Committee Members.
- b) Committee Members may take on specific roles if agreed by the President.

4.5 Meeting of the Committee

a) The Committee shall meet at least twice a term in Michaelmas and Lent terms, and once in Easter term.

4.6 Elections

- a) Elections shall take place annually in Easter Term.
- b) The President shall run the elections, unless standing as a candidate.
- b) Members of the Society will be given at least one week's notice of the elections.
- c) Candidates shall either run for the position of President of the Society, or for membership of the Committee.

4.7 Election of the President

- a) The election of President shall be determined by a vote of all members, with the candidate achieving the most votes being elected.
- b) In the case of a tie between two candidates, another vote will be held to decide between the two. If there is a further tie, the existing President and Committee will decide how to proceed.

4.7 Election of the Committee

- a) Election of Committee Members shall also be by a vote of all members.
- b) If six or less candidates stand for election to the Committee, all may be elected provided they achieve more votes to be elected than to re-open nominations.
- c) If more than six candidates run, the six with the most votes shall be elected.