

### Code of Conduct For Committee members

St John's GAC Drumnaquoile is a democratic organization with committee members and officers elected at each Annual General Meeting to serve the best interests of the club until the next AGM. Other people may be seconded onto committees from time to time or may be asked to serve on sub-committees, working groups, task forces and so on. Where this Code of Conduct states "Committee Members" this also applies to all such people involved in the administration of the club.

#### **All Committee members should:-**

Act in an impartial manner and endeavour to put the interests of the club before any other interests. In so doing they should display the seven principles of public life – selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership – contained in the Northern Ireland Assembly Ministerial Code.

Abide by the constitution of the GAA (Cumann Lúthchleas Gael), the Camogie Association (Cumann Camógaíochta na nGael) and the Ladies Gaelic Football Association (Cumann Peil na mBan), as appropriate, and uphold their ideals.

Abide by the rules set down by the governing bodies and its various constituent bodies [Ulster Council, Down County Board, Sub-Committees and Divisional Boards].

Abide by the club constitution [adopted at AGM on 27/11/05].

Abide by the rules, bye-laws, policies and codes of best practice and codes of conduct of the club.

Show respect for referees and other match officials

In particular committee members should be aware that the club adopts a child centred approach and philosophy in the running of the club to ensure that our juvenile members have a rewarding and enjoyable time at the club and that their long term development is encouraged and supported.



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### **All Committee members should:-**

be aware of our Equality Policy and act in a manner that respect the rights, dignity and worth of all members and potential members of the club and treat everyone fairly. They should work to promote a tolerant environment and provide equal opportunities for all to participate.

be aware that teams represent the club in gaelic football, camogie and ladies football as well as in the cultural activities of Scór and Scór na nÓg and that each should be afforded equal value and status.

attend meetings regularly and punctually. They should contribute positively to debates and discussion where they have a valuable input. If they are unable to attend they should register their apology in advance of the meeting with the secretary.

be aware of article 7.24 in constitution which states that if an Executive Committee member fails to attend three consecutive meeting without a valid apology it will be assumed that he has resigned from the committee.

set a good example at all times. What you do or how you say something may be more important than what you say. Your behaviour and comments should be positive and supportive.

be properly attired when representing the club at outside events, functions, meetings, etc.

voluntarily "stand down" from their position if a complaint is received about their behaviour until such times as the complaint has been investigated.

I understand and agree to abide by the "Code of Conduct for Committee Members". I understand that failure to abide by this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action by the Club Executive Committee.

This Code was initially agreed at AGM 25/11/07 and reviewed at AGM on 24/11/09.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_