# Ukrainian Victory Campaign - Political Action Group Scotland

# **Statute**

#### 1. Name

The full name of the society is *Ukrainian Victory Campaign*.

### 2. Mission and Objectives

The missions of this organisation are:

- 2.1. To provide support for Ukraine, Ukrainian people during the times of war;
- 2.2. Promote cultural exchange between the UK and Ukraine;
- 2.3. To inform, educate and update the Scottish public on the recent developments in Ukraine and the region, by acting as a platform between the experts and the public;
- 2.4. Create a communicative platform for grassroots Ukrainian incentives within Scotland
- 2.5. To strengthen the Ukrainian community in Scotland through demonstrations and cultural and educational events.
- 2.6. To increase international pressure for the release of the Ukrainian POW and encourage solidarity and support with the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

#### 3. Activities:

In order to achieve these aims the Ukrainian Victory Campaign will organise a wide range of events. These will include social, cultural and academic events. Each year there will be:

- a) Regular public demonstrations, and other public engagement activities
- b) Regular updates on the key topics and events in Ukraine, raising support for the Ukrainian Armed Forces and Ukrainian POW.
- c) Organisation of the Ukrainian community across Scotland and the UK to act upon the key goals of the group.

- d) Organisation of regular information sessions, education workshops and other cultural events to raise awareness.
- e) Fundraisers and allocation of grants to support crucial Ukrainian incentives for victory.

#### 4. Membership

- a) Full membership shall be open to all agreeing to commit to follow the moral code of the society and who share the values of the organisation.
- b) All members are required to sign full documentation when joining, and to contribute the full membership fee.
- c) A breach of the moral code or the values of the society would result in
  - i) Immediate suspension of the membership
  - ii) Investigation into the breach by the executive committee, with the potential of termination of membership
- d) Members shall have the option to run for any position within the organisation and full voting rights during the AGM.
- e) The Ukrainian Victory Campaign is committed to protecting the privacy and personal data of all its members in accordance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018.

Personal information collected during registration and throughout membership will only be used for legitimate organisational purposes, such as communication, administration, and event planning.

All member data will be securely stored, and access will be limited to authorised committee members. Members have the right to request access to, correction of, or deletion of their personal data at any time by contacting the Secretary.

By joining the organisation, members consent to the processing of their personal data in line with this policy.

#### 5. Governance

- The Ukrainian Victory Campaign shall be under the control of the executive committee.
- b) The executive committee will consist of at least three people to function, fulfilling the roles of the President, Secretary and Treasurer. Criterias to be eligible to apply to become a member:
  - Active participation in UVC activities
  - Public and private support for the goals of UVC
  - Commitment to the UVC code of ethics
  - Knowledge and awareness of situation in Ukraine, the ability to speak and understand Ukrainian and the context of the country
  - Must not be a part of known other competitive affiliations
- c) The Business of the Society shall be conducted by an elected executive committee.
- d) Any registered member shall have full voting rights at the Annual General Meetings of the Ukrainian Victory Campaign.
- f) Office bearers shall be elected by the membership at the Annual General Meeting. All office-bearers must initially be elected by the board and the membership at the AGM. Those three office bearers named above must be elected by the membership.
- g) Any full member of the Ukrainian Victory Campaign is entitled to stand for the three office bearer positions.
- h) No full member should be barred from standing for office in the organisation unless the position is in existence for a particular group or community of interest. It is not acceptable to limit positions such as president to particular groups. A returning officer should be appointed for elections.
- i) All elections must be held by secret ballot
- j) All three office bearers shall be both privately and publicly committed to the group's two main goals - support with the Armed Forces of Ukraine and Ukrainian Prisoners of war.
- k) The Annual General Meeting, at which office bearers shall be elected and the organisations accounts "Submitted and approved by the membership shall be called

with not less than 10 working days' notice to the membership. The membership must be given a financial statement on the year's accounts. Reasonable notice must be given by posters or a mailing list. The executive committee must investigate any complaints regarding inadequate notification.

 Resignations from the Committee: Committee resignations shall be instituted by a letter of resignation to the secretary of the organisation. In the case of the resignation of the secretary, resignation may be instituted by a letter to the president.

#### 6. Equal Opportunities Statement

This organisation provides and promotes equal opportunities, whatever a person's race, colour, ethnic or national origin, religion, beliefs, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, HIV status age, physical or mental disability, state of health, appearance, status, family circumstances.

This commitment is in line with the principles of the Equality Act 2010 and applies to all members, volunteers, and attendees of UVC events.

#### 7. Finances

- a) The fiscal year of the organisation shall be from the 10th of November.
- b) Funds shall be managed in accordance with sound financial practices. All the fundraising activities will be documented and recorded.
- c) The treasurer is responsible for all financial matters and reports to the president. This includes any financial decisions regarding spending and raising funds.
- d) An annual financial report shall be presented to members at the AGM. All the members will receive regular financial updates regarding the spending and fundraising of UVC.

#### 8. Constitutional Amendments

- a) The executive committee may make constitutional amendments at the Constitutional Meetings for the first year. Such meetings may happen at most once every 3 months.
- b) Membership of the organisation can call for statute amendments via a petition.
- c) On receipt of a petition signed by 10% of the membership, the secretary shall give five working days' notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting to consider submitted amendments.

## 9. Ukrainian Victory Campaign Executive Committee

President	<ul> <li>Event planning and distributing tasks, creation of sub committees (with vice president)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Communication (emailing internal and external guests, students, staff, representation of the organisation to external parties at negotiations (see secretary and vice president)</li> </ul>
	- Chairing meetings
	- Planning the aims for the society
	- Supporting work of all committee members
Secretary	- Administration of the society
	<ul> <li>Arranging meetings/Taking minutes during meetings and sharing them with all committee members (via email or social network)</li> </ul>
	- Matters regarding constitution
	<ul> <li>All documentation of the society (including social media, inventory list)</li> </ul>
Treasurer	<ul> <li>Keeping accurate and up to date financial records</li> </ul>
	- Overseeing society's bank account

	<ul> <li>Recording income and outgoings (keeping ALL receipts)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Producing financial reports (weekly, monthly, and annually)</li> </ul>
Vice President	<ul> <li>Event planning and distributing tasks (with president)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Promoting: creating texts describing events – prior and post events, promotion on social networks, when necessary creating flyers, email communication with society members</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>External communication (with guest speakers, organisations)</li> </ul>
Other non executive roles (Social Officer, Editor, Social media, Photographer,	<ul> <li>Event planning, event support, demonstrations support</li> <li>Organising drinks, food, microphones, projectors,</li> </ul>
Graphics Design, Events Manager)	and other material needed for an event  - Keeping up to date membership list

#### 10. Meetings

#### a) Regular Organisational Meetings/Events:

During each month, demonstrations should be organised regularly for all members as well as open to non-members, if appropriate. Members should be notified prior each event/meeting. The Ukrainian Victory Campaign committee should aim to organise an information event per month and regular demonstrations.

#### b) Committee Meetings

Committee meetings should be held independently at least once a month in order to coordinate the club and events efficiently. Apart from regular meetings the Ukrainian Victory Campaign committee should share its work

and minutes on meetings via emails and social networks with all members of the board and other members of the society if specifically requested.

If a committee member is absent for multiple meetings in a row without prior communication

#### c) Committee members

- i) Committee members should actively engage and respond to each other.
- ii) Every committee member is expected to attend every event to the best of their ability.
- iii) Committee members also share collective committee responsibility. Where all the committee members must support the collective decisions of the committee publicly.

#### 11. Dissolution

In the event that the Ukrainian Victory Campaign is dissolved:

- a) All outstanding liabilities and obligations will be settled.
- b) Any remaining assets or funds shall be transferred to **Ukrainian organisations** whose objectives align with the core mission of the UVC—specifically those supporting:
  - The Ukrainian Armed Forces
  - Ukrainian Prisoners of War (POWs)
- c) The executive committee shall oversee the dissolution process and will be responsible for selecting the receiving organisations.
- d) No member shall benefit financially from the dissolution of the organisation.
- e) A final report, including a financial statement, shall be submitted to the membership for transparency before closure.

#### 12. Adoption

This	constitution	shall	be	adopted	by	а	majority	vote	of	the	members	present	at	а
meeting duly called for that purpose.														

Date of Adoption: 28 January 2024

Amended 17 May 2025

Signatures of Founding Members: