CONSTITUTION

I THE PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION
a To preserve and strengthen the links between alumnae of St Anne’s (which includes Alumni) and the College.
b To keep members all over the world in touch with one another through meetings, events and other activities and communications, and exchange of ideas in THE SHIP.

II ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP
a The Principal, Fellows, Honorary Fellows, Emeritus Fellows and Junior Research Fellows of the College.
b All members of the College on matriculation shall automatically become members and shall remain such, unless they indicate in writing to the Secretary that they do not wish to be members. At any later date a member of the College who has opted out of membership may apply to the Committee to join the Society.
c Visiting Students shall be eligible to apply for membership of the Society.
d Those elected Honorary Members at the Annual General Meeting on the proposal of the Committee. Honorary membership will not confer voting rights.
e Members of the Society who bring the College into disrepute may be excluded from the Society at the discretion of the Society.

III MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION
No membership subscription shall be payable. The College Treasurer shall administer all financial affairs relating to the Society.

IV OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE
a There shall be a Committee consisting of the PRESIDENT, the VICE PRESIDENT, the SECRETARY, HONORARY TREASURER, the EDITOR AND THE ASSISTANT EDITOR OF THE SHIP (if any), and SIX ORDINARY MEMBERS. A representative of the College Development Office (usually the Alumnae Relations Officer) shall be an EX-OFFICIO MEMBER of the Committee. PRESIDENT may include JOINT PRESIDENTS, subject to other arrangements made by the Committee – see clause IV b.
b The PRESIDENT(s) of the Society shall be elected by the Annual General Meeting to hold office for up to three years but shall be eligible for re-election only after a one-year period of standing down. The PRESIDENT(s) shall preside at meetings of the Society and the Committee and on relinquishing office shall become VICE PRESIDENT(s) for three years.
c The Committee may agree to nominate a Committee member to preside at a single meeting or a series of meetings of the Society and act as Chair of the Society’s Committee for a period agreed by a majority of the Committee.
d The Committee may by vote, appoint committee members and may co-opt non-committee members and others to undertake tasks on behalf the Committee provided they are accountable to and report back to the Committee.
e The SECRETARY and the TREASURER shall each be elected by the Annual General Meeting for a period of three years and shall be eligible for re-election. The SECRETARY of the Society shall be known as the HONORARY SECRETARY and the TREASURER AS THE HONORARY TREASURER.
f The EDITOR and ASSISTANT EDITOR OF THE SHIP (if any) may be elected by the Committee for a period of three years and shall be eligible for re-election.
g ORDINARY MEMBERS shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting to hold office for three years. TWO of the six members shall retire each year and shall not immediately be eligible for re-election.
h The Committee shall have power to co-opt up to FIVE members (this might include a Fellows representative).
i FIVE members of the Committee shall form a QUORUM.

V MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY
a The date of the Annual General Meeting, to be held in Oxford, shall be announced in THE SHIP and by digital communication including online. The Agenda shall be circulated at least one calendar month before the Meeting with notice of vacancies on the Committee.
b Nominations of persons to serve as MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE must be received by the Committee through its Secretary at least FOURTEEN DAYS before the date of the Annual General Meeting. Every nomination shall be
accompanied by the names of the proposer and seconder who shall have ascertained that the nominee is willing to stand for election.

c Any resolution unless arising under VII below may be passed by a simple majority, the Chairman having the casting vote.

d The Committee may at its discretion summon an Extraordinary General Meeting and shall do so at the request of TWENTY or more members, to be sent to the PRESIDENT. At least one calendar month’s notice of such a Meeting shall be circulated to members of the Society together with the Agenda to be submitted to the Meeting, primarily by digital means.

e At any Meeting of the Association FIFTEEN members shall form a QUORUM.

VI BRANCHES
a Local and overseas or international branches of members of the Society may be formed where desired with the consent of the Committee.
b Branches may send a substitute representative to Committee meetings.

VII ALTERATION OF THE CONSTITUTION
No alteration shall be made in the Constitution except at an Annual General Meeting and by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting. Notice of such proposed alteration must be given to the Honorary Secretary in time for it to be included in the Agenda for the Annual General Meeting.

EXTRACT FROM COLLEGE STATUTES—SCHEDULE P
The constitution was amended by a resolution at the AGM in 2016 and the amendments subsequently noted by Governing Body as notified to the SAS Committee in January 2017