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The Roux Group Constitution

1. Title

The Roux Group

2. Objects

To represent the views of trainees in all branches of Upper Gastrointestinal surgery in the United Kingdom

3. Constitution and Rules

The Roux Group will consist of trainee members of the Association of Upper GI Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland (AUGIS).

Committee members will be elected to the following roles by a ballot of all AUGIS trainee members at the Annual Roux Group educational meeting together with other such members from time to time.

President - He/She will represent the Roux Group on the AUGIS council and any other body not represented by a designated member of the Roux executive committee.

An outgoing president shall not be eligible for re-election.

President-Elect - He/She will assist and advise the President, and perform other duties as requested by the President.

The President-Elect shall be elected every year by a ballot of ordinary trainee members of AUGIS prior to the annual conference. He/She will serve one year as President-Elect assisting the President and preparing for the assumption of presidential duties after the elect year. He/She will succeed to the office of President after one year as President-Elect, or should the Presidency become vacant during an unfinished term.

Honorary Secretary – The elected member will be responsible for organization and publication of reports, meeting minutes, newsletters, and other documents arising from the Roux Group's business. It also includes the process of ballot and election of the committee and regional representatives, as well as the organisation of Roux Group educational events and the Annual General Meeting. He/She will be responsible for lead point for communication with the Roux Regional representatives.



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Honorary Treasurer – The elected member will be responsible for maintaining the Roux Group accounts, liaising with the AUGIS treasurer in relation to the committee finances, and is responsible for audit and presentation of finances at the Roux annual general meeting.

Roux Weekend Lead - The elected member will lead the organisation of the annual Roux Group educational meeting.

Education & Training Lead – The elected member will be responsible for developing educational and training events for Roux members. The trainee elected will attend meetings of the AUGIS education and training committee and matters arising thereof.

Audit & Research Lead - The elected member will be responsible for facilitating the design and development of Upper GI national collaborative projects. The individual will attend the AUGIS clinical services and audit meeting and meetings arising thereof.

Subspecialty Leads – The elected members will represent each branches of Upper GI surgery within the current surgical curriculum: Oesophagogastric (OG), Bariatric, Hepatopancreaticobiliary (HPB), Benign, and Transplantation. Elected members will attend meetings of the GBIHPBA, AUGIS, BOMSS, BBUGSS, BTS council and matters arising thereof.

BOMSS Trainee Representative and BBUGSS Trainee Representative will be elected by the respective societies and will sit on the Roux Committee.

Robotics & AI Lead – The elected member will be responsible for development of robotics in UGI surgery, represent the Roux Group and attend RCS meetings and matters arising thereof.

Endoscopy Lead - The elected member will be responsible for facilitating improvement of endoscopy training for trainees, represent the Roux Group and attend meetings of the BSG/JAG council and matters arising thereof.

Association of Surgeons in Training (ASiT) Representative – The elected member will be responsible for developing educational content in liaison with the committee, and to attend the ASiT council meeting and matters arising thereof.

SAS Doctors Lead – The elected member will be responsible for developing educational content in liaison with the committee specific, and to facilitate dialogue between the Roux Group and SAS doctors.

Junior Trainees Lead - The elected member shall be responsible for developing educational content in liaison with the committee, applicable for junior trainees (foundation year and core trainees) to attract recruitment into the specialty.



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Webmaster - The role of the webmaster will be to maintain and update the Roux Group website and/or social media handle(s), and work with the Honorary secretary to create Roux newsletters.

Social Media Representative - The role will be to maintain and update the Roux Group Twitter account, and other social media enterprises.

Regional Representatives – The role shall involve dissemination of information to their region and provide a point of contact for trainees/SAS doctors interested in UGI surgery and engage with Schools of Surgery and Postgraduate Deaneries.

4. Term of Office

The term of office for all roles (except regional representatives) will be one year, to commence from April of that year.

The term of office for regional representatives will be one year, to commence from October.

All Roux Group committee members, with the exception of the President, will be permitted to stand for re-election to the same or alternative post.

5. Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The AGM will be held during the Roux annual educational meeting. The business shall be:

- Election of the members and officers to the council
- To receive reports from the Roux Group President and the Specialty Leads
- To receive the report of the Honorary Secretary
- To receive the report of the Honorary Treasurer including presentation of the audited accounts for the preceding financial year

Any member who wishes to move a resolution at the AGM shall give notice in writing to the Honorary Secretary not less than 30 days before the date of the meeting.

6. Meeting of Members

The business of the Roux Group shall be conducted by the Executive committee. The trainee committee shall meet at least three times per year. It is the responsibility of members of the trainee committee to attend the meetings for the elected period of office. Failure to attend may give rise to suspension and re-election of said post

In the event of any inconsistency or conflict arising between members and the provisions of this document, the provisions of the constitution shall prevail.



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7. Amendments to the Constitution

No addition or amendment of this constitution shall be effective until approved by not less than two-thirds of the voting members of the AUGIS council.