



**BRIGADE COUNCIL**  
**Grosvenor Hotel, Haymarket, Edinburgh, EH12 5EF**  
**1st September 2018**

**Voting Registration Form**

Brigade Council is the representative body of The Boys' Brigade in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands and the Republic of Ireland.

Brigade Council shall meet to discuss the vision and strategic direction of The Brigade and the means of achieving its objects.

Brigade Council shall be a forum to address significant matters of concern to the work of The Brigade. As such, it shall have the right to ask the Brigade Executive to explain their conduct, decision and actions whilst having regard to the recommendations, guidance and leadership provided by the officers of the Charity.

Brigade Council shall have the power to amend the Memorandum and Articles by special resolution.

**Members of Brigade Council**

The members of Brigade Council are:

- a) Companies
- b) Members of the Brigade Executive
- c) Members of a Regional Committee
- d) Area Groups, (Battalions, Districts) normally acting through their Secretaries

**Attendance**

Brigade Council may be attended by all members of the Brigade who have attained their 16th birthday at the date of the meeting.

**Voting**

Any vote at a meeting shall be decided by a show of hands unless before, or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands, a poll is demanded

- by the person chairing the meeting; or
- by at least ten members having the right to vote at the meeting; or
- the Trustees declare in the notice of the meeting that a poll shall take place.

At meetings of Brigade Council, voting shall be as follows:

**Company votes**

There shall be one vote per Company.

The Company vote shall be exercised by a Registered Leader in the Company.

If a Company cannot be represented at a Brigade Council meeting by one of its own Registered Leaders, the Company may appoint in writing as proxy another person attending Brigade Council to vote on the Company's behalf. In the event that the Company wishes to exercise its vote by post or another method, it shall be in accordance with Brigade Regulations approved by Brigade Council.

**Area Group votes**

There shall be one vote per Area Group (Battalions or Districts).

The Area Group vote shall be exercised by a Registered Leader who is representing the Area Group.

If the Area Group cannot be represented at a Brigade Council meeting by one of its own Registered Leaders, the Area Group may appoint in writing as proxy another person attending Brigade Council to vote on the Area Group's behalf.

In the event that the Area Group wishes to exercise its vote by post or another method, it shall be in accordance with Brigade Regulations approved by Brigade Council.

**Individual votes**

There shall be one vote for each Brigade Executive member and Regional Committee member.

Under no circumstances shall an individual exercise more than one vote.

No member shall be entitled to vote at any general meeting if that member owes any money to the charity.

***Please Note – Anyone wishing to register a vote on the day must do so by 12 noon.***

**How to complete this form**

All members of Brigade Council as defined above are entitled to be present and vote at the meeting or, in their absence, they may appoint a proxy to attend and vote on their behalf. Voting may also take place by post using section E of this form.

Registration to vote in person may take place on the day of the meeting, but it would help greatly with administration if this form could be completed and returned by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2018. If a proxy is being appointed to vote for any category of membership, this form must be returned to the Brigade Headquarters not later than 1.30pm on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

If a Company or Battalion/District is to be represented at Brigade Council by one of its own leaders please use section A.

If a Company or Battalion/District wishes to appoint a proxy, please use section B.

If you are a member of a Regional Committee or the Brigade Executive and will be present at Brigade Council please use section C. If you cannot be present and wish to appoint a proxy, please use section D.

**All members of Brigade Council who cannot be present may either appoint a general proxy or vote by post using section E.**

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Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

**A.** The \_\_\_\_\_ Company OR  
The \_\_\_\_\_ Battalion / District will be represented at Brigade Council by:  
NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (PRINT)  
LEADER REGISTRATION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ Captain/Secretary. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**B.** The \_\_\_\_\_ Company OR  
The \_\_\_\_\_ Battalion / District  
Cannot be represented at Brigade Council but hereby appoints the under-mentioned to vote on its behalf.  
NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (PRINT)  
LEADER REGISTRATION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ Captain. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**C.** I, \_\_\_\_\_ being a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ Regional  
Committee / Brigade Executive will attend Brigade Council.  
NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (PRINT)  
LEADER REGISTRATION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**D.** I, \_\_\_\_\_ being a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ Regional  
Committee / Brigade Executive cannot attend Brigade Council but hereby appoint the under-mentioned to vote on my behalf.  
NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (PRINT)  
LEADER REGISTRATION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**E.** The \_\_\_\_\_ Company / Battalion / District cannot attend Brigade Council and hereby appoints the Chairman of the meeting to cast its vote for each motion as indicated overleaf.

OR

I \_\_\_\_\_ being a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ Regional Committee / Brigade Executive cannot attend Brigade Council and hereby appoint the Chairman of the meeting to cast my vote for each motion as indicated overleaf:

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

## Brigade Council 2018 - Postal Voting Form

Only mark one column or your form will be invalid	For	Against	At Chairman's Discretion
1) To receive and adopt the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2018 together with the Reports of the Brigade Executive and Auditors thereon.			
2) To reappoint Whiting and Partners as auditors of The Boys' Brigade and authorize the Brigade Executive to fix their remuneration.			
3) To confirm the annual capitation fee for 2018/19 session as agreed at Brigade Council in 2017 and to fix the annual capitation fees for the 2019/20 session.			
4) To appoint Brigade Office Bearers as below:			
President: Rev Dr Lord Griffiths of Burry Port			
Vice President Mr D Aubrey QC			
Vice President Mr A S Burrow			
Treasurer Mr C Bygrave FCA, CTA, TEP			
Chaplain TBC			
5) To approve the Special Resolutions in the name of the Brigade Executive (requiring a majority of 75% of those voting) To amend the Articles of Association.			
(i) Delete Article 35.3.3; etc.			
(ii) Amend Article 59.5 etc.			
6) To approve the Ordinary Resolutions in the name of the Brigade Executive (requiring a simple majority of those voting)			
(i) To amend Brigade Regulations to the effect that "Leader" and "Leaders" shall be as defined in Section Four.			
(ii) To substitute where appropriate references to "Boys" and "girls" with the term "Young People" etc.			
(iii) To delete existing Regulation 81.3.3 and to insert new text.			
(iv) To delete the requirement to notify Brigade Council business in the Gazette etc.			