



## The Roux Group Constitution

### 1. Title

The Roux Group

### 2. Objective

To represent the views of AUGIS trainee members in all branches of Upper Gastrointestinal surgery in the United Kingdom

### 3. Constitution

The Executive committee of 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:

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

The President shall be elected every two years by a ballot of ordinary trainee members of AUGIS at the annual conference. An outgoing president shall not be eligible for re-election but shall sit on the trainee committee as **Past-President** until the term of office of the incoming president is complete.

**Honorary Secretary-** the role of the secretary will include organisation of Roux events, elections and committee meetings, including the Annual General meeting. Furthermore, the secretary will be responsible for publishing reports, meeting minutes, electronic newsletters together with other documents arising from the Roux Group's business.

**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 audit and presentation of finances at the Roux annual educational meeting.

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

**Education and Training Lead-** the role of the elected individual shall be to develop 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 and 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.

**Association of Surgeons in Training (ASiT) Representative**- the elected member shall attend the ASiT council meeting and matters arising thereof.

**Webmaster**- The role of the webmaster shall be to maintain and update the Roux Group website and social media handle(s).

**British Society of Gastroenterology (BSG) / Joint Advisory Group on Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (JAG) Representative**- the role of the BSG/JAG representative shall be to attend meetings of the JAG council and matters arising thereof.

**Subspecialty leads**- trainee members will be elected by a ballot to represent each of the branches within Upper GI surgery within the current surgical curriculum- Oesophagogastric (OG), Bariatric, Hepatopancreaticobiliary (HPB) and Transplantation. Elected members will attend meetings of the GBIHPBA, AUGIS, BOMSS and BTS council and matters arising thereof.

**Core and Foundation training representative**- the role of the elected member shall be to highlight matters that would be of benefit to core and foundation members in encouraging a career in UGI surgery (trial position).

#### 4. Term of Office

The term of office will be one year. The exception will be the President, who is elected via a ballot of AUGIS trainee members, to serve for two years. Except for the President, the Roux Executive council members 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
  - Receive report from the Roux Group President and chairs
  - 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 twice a 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.

## **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.