

Constitution of the North Sydney Transport Association (NSTA)

Article I — Name

The organisation shall be known as the **North Sydney Transport Association (NSTA)**.

Article II — Purpose

The Association exists to:

- promote interest in public transport, transport history, urban planning and infrastructure
 - preserve transport-related memorabilia, archives and historical records
 - provide educational opportunities for members
 - organise events, excursions and guest presentations
 - encourage discussion and research regarding transport systems
 - maintain a network connecting students, alumni and transport enthusiasts
 - support school transport clubs where appropriate
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Article III — Independence

The Association is an independent body and is not formally operated by North Sydney Boys High School.

The Association may maintain cooperative relationships with school clubs, including Transit Club.

The Association may also cooperate with external organisations where consistent with its purpose.

The Association may appoint an independent Ombudsman or Advisor to provide impartial advice or assist in dispute resolution. Such appointments shall not form part of the Executive unless otherwise determined.

Article IV — Membership

Membership shall be open to:

- current students
- alumni
- students from other schools
- external transport enthusiasts
- honorary members approved by the Executive

Members are expected to act respectfully and uphold the aims and values of the Association.

Membership may be suspended or revoked by the Executive where necessary.

Article V — Executive

The Association shall be governed by an Executive consisting of:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Marketing and Communications Officer
- Events Officer
- Liaison Officer
- Archivist

The Executive may create or abolish Executive portfolios where necessary, provided such changes are consistent with this Constitution.

Appointed Positions

The Executive may appoint Coordinators, Advisors, Committee Members, Project Leads or other volunteer positions to assist in carrying out the objectives of the Association.

These appointments shall not be Executive Officers unless otherwise provided by this Constitution.

Article VI — Duties of Executive Officers

President

Leads the Association, chairs meetings and represents the Association publicly.

Vice President

Assists the President and assumes the President's responsibilities when required.

Secretary

Maintains records, meeting minutes and official documents.

Treasurer

Manages finances, fundraising and expenditures.

Marketing and Communications Officer

Oversees branding, social media, publications, the website and public communications.

Events Officer

Plans and coordinates meetings, workshops, conferences, excursions and Association events.

Liaison Officer

Maintains relationships with schools, clubs, partner organisations and external stakeholders.

Archivist

Maintains collections, archives and historical records.

Article VII — Appointment of the Executive

Executive Officers shall be appointed by the Executive.

Appointments shall be made on the basis of suitability, experience, commitment and the needs of the Association.

Vacancies may be filled by appointment of the Executive at any time.

The Executive may remove or replace an Executive Officer by majority resolution where it considers such action to be in the best interests of the Association.

Political parties, factions or caucuses shall have no constitutional role in the governance of the Association.

Article VIII — Meetings

The Association may hold:

- General Meetings
- Executive Meetings
- Annual Meetings
- Special Meetings where required

Meeting procedures shall be determined by the Executive.

Article IX — Activities

The Association may undertake:

- archival preservation
 - social media operations
 - newsletters and publications
 - excursions
 - guest speakers
 - competitions
 - research projects
 - partnerships
 - collection exhibitions
 - advocacy campaigns
 - educational programs
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Article X — Finances

The Association may collect membership fees, donations or fundraising revenue.

All funds shall be used solely for the purposes of the Association.

The Treasurer shall maintain appropriate financial records.

Article XI — Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority of the Executive.

The Executive may also consult the membership before adopting constitutional amendments where appropriate.

Article XII — Dissolution

If the Association is dissolved, archival materials should be transferred to a suitable member, institution or heritage organisation, such as Transport Heritage NSW, where practicable.