



Website Terms & Conditions

Please read the Terms and Conditions (**Terms**) of use of this website carefully.

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1. Who these Terms apply to

- 1.1 Use of the "Members" section of the Site is subject to clauses 2 of these Terms.
- 1.2 The remaining clauses of these Terms apply to ALL users of the Site

2. Members

- 2.1 The registration processes on the Site require you to have a unique username and password that provide access to your account. You and your school are responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of your username and password, and are fully responsible for all activities that occur through your website account. You agree to:
 - 2.1.1 immediately notify us if you become aware of any unauthorised use of your password or website account or any other breach of security by sending an appropriately worded email to comms@agbis.org.uk; and
 - 2.1.2 ensure that you exit from your account at the end of each session. AGBIS cannot and will not be liable for any loss or damage arising from your failure to comply with these requirements.
- 2.2 If you are using the Site on behalf of a member of AGBIS, and are authorised to do so, the material from this Site may be downloaded, viewed, listened to (where appropriate), printed, copied on the hard disk of your computer and photocopied in reasonable numbers for the purposes of promoting efficient and effective administration and carrying out ancillary services at the independent school in question. Any other type of use requires the prior written agreement of AGBIS.
- 2.3 If you are not authorised to access the Site on behalf of a member of AGBIS you must refrain from accessing the "Members" section of the Site.
- 2.4 We have the right to disable any username or password at any time, if in our reasonable opinion you have failed to comply with any of the provisions of these Terms.

3. Permissions

- 3.1 If you are not using the Site on behalf of a member of AGBIS (in which case Clause 2.2 applies), you may browse, download, view, print, copy onto the hard disk of your computer (but not photocopy) and use all material from the Site for your own personal, non-commercial purposes as a personal information resource in good faith only. Any other type of use requires the prior written agreement of AGBIS.

- 3.2 You will not use the Site:
- 3.2.1 for the posting, uploading, emailing or other transmission of any material, the publication, dissemination, use or possession of which infringes the rights of any person or which is unlawful in any other respect;
 - 3.2.2 in any way which is abusive, defamatory or obscene or which will harass, offend, distress or inconvenience any person or which encourages or entices abuse, discrimination or criminal activity or which might restrict or inhibit the use and enjoyment of the Site by any person;
 - 3.2.3 for the posting, uploading, emailing or other transmission of any unsolicited or unauthorised advertising, promotional materials, "junk mail," "spam," "chain letters," "pyramid schemes," or any other form of solicitation or commercial exploitation;
 - 3.2.4 for the posting, uploading, emailing or other transmission of any material that contains software viruses or any other computer code, files or programs designed to interrupt, restrict, destroy, limit the functionality of or compromise the integrity of any computer software or hardware or telecommunications equipment;
 - 3.2.5 to create a database (electronic or otherwise) that includes material downloaded or otherwise obtained from the Site;
 - 3.2.6 to transmit or re-circulate any material obtained from the Site to any third party;
 - 3.2.7 in such a way so as to remove the copyright or trade mark notice(s) from any copies of any material made in accordance with these terms;
 - 3.2.8 in any way that might infringe third party privacy or other rights or is unlawful;
 - 3.2.9 to post link(s) that take users to material that contravenes any of the above restrictions; or
 - 3.2.10 in any way that might bring AGBIS into disrepute.

4. Material you submit

- 4.1 You hereby grant AGBIS a non-exclusive, royalty-free, perpetual and worldwide licence to republish any material you submit, post, upload, email or otherwise transmit to AGBIS or to the Site in any format, including without limitation print and electronic format.
- 4.2 Any discussion forums or pages of the Site where you are capable of posting material are provided for the exchange of lawful, relevant, fair and appropriate information, opinions and comment. Use of the Site that is inconsistent with those stated purposes is strictly prohibited.
- 4.3 In relation to any content that you post to the Site, you acknowledge and agree:
 - 4.3.1 that AGBIS accepts no responsibility for any statements, material or other submissions placed on our online forums by you or any third party, or for

any loss or damage resulting from your breach of the restrictions set out above; and

- 4.3.2 to indemnify AGBIS from any and all claims and liabilities (including legal fees) which arise from your statements, contributions or other submissions to our online forums, from any unauthorised use of material obtained from our online forums or otherwise from your breach of the restrictions set out above.
- 4.4 We will not view or edit or pre-screen any contribution that you or anyone else make to the forums or to the Site generally and therefore, unless we are specifically notified of the nature of any item of content, you cannot assume that we are responsible for having made it available on the website. We, and others that we designate, shall have the right (but not the obligation) at our sole discretion to refuse or remove any content that is posted to, or available on, the forums or the Site without the need to give any reasons for doing so.
- 4.5 If you object to the publication of any material placed on our online forums (or anywhere else on this website) please let us know by calling 01438 840730 or by sending an appropriately worded email to comms@agbis.org.uk and we will take whatever action we deem appropriate.

5. Access and liability

- 5.1 AGBIS shall have the right to refuse to allow you access to any of the pages on the Site at any time and for any reason without giving you any advance notice and AGBIS shall not be liable for any losses or damages whatsoever (other than losses or damages for death or physical injury arising out of the negligence of AGBIS or its employees) arising from your inability to access any of the pages on the Site.
- 5.2 Whilst every effort has been taken to ensure the accuracy of the information provided by AGBIS, its employees and agents in these pages, the contents of the Site are naturally subject to change from time to time. Some of the material on the Site may be supplied to us by third parties and we are unable to check its accuracy or completeness. You are advised to verify the accuracy of any information before relying on it. Further, due to the inherent nature of the Internet, errors, interruptions and delays may occur in the service at any time. Accordingly, this website is provided on an "AS IS" and "AS AVAILABLE" basis without any warranties of any kind and we do not accept any liability arising from any inaccuracy or omission in the information or interruption in availability. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHECKING THE ACCURACY OF RELEVANT FACTS AND OPINIONS GIVEN ON THE SITE BEFORE ENTERING INTO ANY COMMITMENT BASED UPON THEM.**
- 5.3 AGBIS cannot guarantee that your use of the Site will be free from error and/or uninterrupted. AGBIS, its Committee Members, its employees and its representatives exclude, in so far as it is legally possible, all liability and responsibility for any damages (other than liability for death or physical injury arising out of the negligence of AGBIS or its officers) including, but not limited to, indirect or consequential damages, damages for loss of opportunity or chance, or any damages whatsoever arising from use or loss of, data, or profits, whether in action of contract, negligence or other tortious action, arising out of, or in connection with, any information on the Site or any other Internet sites or the use thereof.
- 5.4 You acknowledge that communications via email or over the Internet can never be entirely reliable or secure and if you choose to communicate with AGBIS through

these mediums you accept that your messages might be lost or intercepted through no fault of AGBIS.

6. Third party links

Some of the pages on the Site include links to external third party websites. Such links should not be interpreted as approval by AGBIS of those websites or any information you may obtain from them. These links are included to give you the opportunity to access other pages that it is felt may be of interest or assistance to you. AGBIS is not responsible for the content of these Internet sites. Furthermore, on some of the pages of those external websites you may be informed of the opportunity of entering into agreements with third parties. AGBIS is not liable in relation to, and takes no responsibility for, any contract entered into by you with any third party.

7. Viruses and other malware

Whilst effort has been taken to ensure that the Site is free from viruses, AGBIS gives no warranties it will always be free from viruses and you are responsible for ensuring that you have installed adequate and up-to-date virus-checking software. AGBIS excludes, in so far as it is legally possible, all liability and responsibility (other than liability for death or physical injury arising out of the negligence of AGBIS or its officers) for any viruses or any other computer code, files or programs designed to interrupt, restrict, destroy, limit the functionality of or compromise the integrity of any computer software or hardware or telecommunications equipment or other material transmitted with or as part of the Site.

8. Trade marks

The names, images and logos identifying AGBIS or third parties and their products and services, are the proprietary marks of AGBIS, and/or may be the proprietary marks of third parties. Any use made of these marks may be an infringement of rights in those marks and AGBIS reserves all rights to enforce such rights that it might have.

9. Data Protection

9.1 AGBIS will process your personal data in accordance with, data protection legislation.

9.2 Our Privacy and Cookie Policy (www.agbis.org.uk/privacy-policy/), sets out the terms on which we process any personal data.

10. General

10.1 These terms may be varied from time to time. Please ensure that you review these terms and conditions regularly as you will be deemed to have accepted a variation if you continue to use the Site after any variation has been posted.

10.2 In the event that any provision of these terms and conditions is held to be illegal, invalid, void or unenforceable, it shall be severed from the remaining provisions, which shall continue in full force and effect.

10.3 These Terms shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with English law and the parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.