# **C**ommittee

**Linden**, [visibleman]

* represented by: Tandaline of House Bonisagus, Durenmar.

**Ash**, Noted as being aggressive towards the Order of Odin. [FuturaPrime]

* represented by Philippus Niger of House Flambeau, Durenmar.

**Oak**, Large and conservative. [George]

* represented by Malleus of House Guernicus, Durenmar.

**Elder**, Wilderist, Fae oriented. [Van Silke]

* represented by Aschlaranda Ex Miscellanea, Dankmar.

**Hawthorn**, Wilderist, mostly Bjornaer. [RSC]

* represented by Urgen Midusulfis of House Bjornaer, Crintera.

# Objective

The charter committee’s objective is to write a charter that:

* compels members to fulfill the Tribunals objective regarding the gathering of information about the Nordic magicians,
* incentivises magi to take the risk and encourages the growth of the covenant,
* but doesn’t discourage magi from joining by being too restrictive.

Items that have not been contested will not be discussed, they are simply included for the record.

# Agenda Items

**Purpose of the covenant**

1. **[Contested]** The covenant of Oculus Sepentrionalis is formed to investigate the Nordic lands and to collect intelligence on the native magicians of those lands.

[Hawthorn] The covenant of will not use this mandate to despoil nature, and the wild places.

Supported in so far as the Guardians of the Forests ruling of the Tribunal of 1053 allows. proposal: 'With respect to the Guardians of the Forests ruling of this Tribunal, the covenant of will not use this mandate to despoil nature, and the wild places of the North Lands.'

[Hawthorn] Shall only spy and learn about these Hedge Magicians. Not start a war with them, or cause them to retaliate.

[Oak] Hawthorn’s concerns about possible war is just. This should go without saying. There is no excuse to make enemies for the Order or for our Tribunal.

1. **[No Contest]** The covenant will report their progress and findings at each subsequent Tribunal meeting.

**Membership**

1. **[No Contest]** Any magus of the Order who is resident in the Rhine tribunal area may join the covenant by declaring his intent to any member of the covenant charter subcommittee.
2. **[Contested]** Alternatively, once the covenant has a minimum of three members, new members may be approved by application to the covenant council.

[Oak] I assume that the charter subcommittee only can approve new members until the quota of three members has been filled.

Change as per oak comment.

1. **[No Contest]** New members must contribute a new text to the communal library.

Remove.

1. **[No Contest]** Each member must give one season in service to the covenant, per Tribunal period. This service shall be explicitly dedicated to furthering the covenants purpose.
2. **[Hawthorn NEW]** Any exploration into the wilderness will be either accompanied or advised by a Magi with understanding of nature (preferably, Bjornaer or Merinita).

Reject.

1. **[Linden NEW]** Any Member may resign from the covenant as long as his debts to the covenant and all obligations under the charter are settled.

Accept

1. **[Linden NEW]** Any member who fails to fulfill his obligations under the charter may be expelled from the covenant by council decision.

**Governance**

1. **Addition. All members must be invited to a council meeting.**
2. **[No Contest]** All decisions that affect the covenant or its shared resources will be made by a council of members.
3. **[No Contest]** A council meeting will be quorate if a minimum of two thirds of the member magi are present.
4. **[No Contest]** All members of the covenant will have an equal voice in any covenant decisions.
5. **[No Contest]** A vote is passed when a minimum of two thirds of the cast votes are in favour.

**Resources**

1. **[No Contest]** The tribunal will allocate an amount of vis and a number of books to enable the establishment of this covenant.
2. **[No Contest]** The first two harvests of any newly discovered regular vis source will be the sole property of the discovering magus. Thereafter, subsequent harvests will be owned by the covenant as a shared resource.
3. **[No Contest]** The disbursement of covenant resources will be determined by council decision.
4. **[Contested]** The covenant will maintain a communal library. Each member magus will contribute at least one new text to the library, per Tribunal period.

**Keep**

[Ash] The Ash Guild opposes any restrictions which do not explicitly further the Quest for Information (and Power) in the North. They argue to give the covenant freedom to pursue its purpose in the way which is best at any given point in time. Building a library is not part of the purpose. Requiring members to submit texts will only distract them from the purpose, unless, possibly, if the texts have to be on Norse wizardry and the like.

1. **[Hawthorn NEW]** The covenant may not register Vis sources in Scandinavia without Tribunal authorization

[Ash] The Ash Guild opposes any restrictions which do not explicitly further the Quest for Information (and Power) in the North. They argue to give the covenant freedom to pursue its purpose in the way which is best at any given point in time.

**Reject.**

1. **[Hawthorn NEW]** ¼ of the Vis collected will go towards repaying the initial investment.

[Ash] The Ash Guild opposes any restrictions which do not explicitly further the Quest for Information (and Power) in the North. They argue to give the covenant freedom to pursue its purpose in the way which is best at any given point in time. They do not expect the investment repaid in vis. It should be repaid by information in abundance.

**Reject**

1. **[Hawthorn NEW]** The formation of a Chapterhouse will be subject to a Tribunal, or Special Tribunal Meeting, if it is to occur in between meetings, and will need to be ratified by at least one member from each covenant.

[Ash] The Ash Guild opposes any restrictions which do not explicitly further the Quest for Information (and Power) in the North. They argue to give the covenant freedom to pursue its purpose in the way which is best at any given point in time. There is no reason to limit their right to found chapter houses. If a chapter house is needed to meet the purpose, then do it. Do not linger to discuss it.

**Reject**

1. **[Hawthorn NEW]** A chapterhouse will need to have a resident Bjornaer- or Merinita-trained Magi.

**Reject.**

**23. NEW. Governance.** The charter may only be changed by agreement of both the covenant council and Tribunal decision.