

PROPOSED CHANGES TO MEMORANDUM & ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

Changes are shown in bold italics

Section Words and Meanings:

Electronic Communication Has the same meaning as in the Electronic Communications Act 2000 **and includes email and other messaging and video services.**

Meeting **Means meeting in person and / or virtually using electronic communication**

(ii) And words importing the singular member only shall include the plural, and vice versa. Words importing the masculine gender only shall include the feminine gender **and any other gender classification** and words importing persons shall include corporations.

Paragraph 35.

(c) He has not attended camps organised by the Society for seven days ~~in the preceding 24 calendar months~~ **in the two years preceding during which camps were held.**

GENERAL MEETINGS

14. The Society shall hold a General Meeting in every calendar year as its Annual General Meeting at such time and place **or by method of electronic communication as may be determined by the Council,**

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All business at a General Meeting attended in person or by means of virtual attendance using electronic communication shall be deemed as valid as if all persons participating were in the same room. In the event of a technology breakdown or other impediment to participation by electronic communication it is at the discretion of the chair whether or not to postpone the meeting but no business may be conducted unless a quorum is present and able to access the meeting.

The reason for these changes:

Council is proposing amendments to the M&AA which

(a) will allow FCS to hold virtual general meetings in future without (as now) the need for special legislation to allow it,

(b) update the clause on gender and

(c) change the clause re Council eligibility about attending two weeks of camps in the preceding two years.

If we don't change that clause and we are unfortunately unable to hold any camps in 2021, no-one will be eligible for Council!

