

Changes to the constitution proposed by the committee 5 February 2022

(To be submitted to the membership with the March 2022 Newsletter for approval by postal ballot)

Clause 4.5

Add at the end of this clause: ‘A person shall be deemed to be present by attending either in person or virtually where arrangements for virtual attendance have been made.’

Clause 4.8 (k)

Replace the beginning of this sub clause with: ‘meeting not less than twice a year at the call of the Chair (such meetings may be entirely virtual meetings or hybrid meetings as the circumstances allow) to review the state of the Society’s affairs and to take such action as it may consider suitable; minutes shall be taken of all the proceedings of the Committee and shall not distinguish between those who attended in person and those who attended virtually and shall be open.....etc’.

Clause 5.1

Insert at the beginning of this clause; ‘Subject to clause 5.8’.

Add a new clause 5.8:

‘In the event that local or central government restrictions prevent the Membership of the Society from meeting in person or the Committee decide that other circumstances outside the control of the Society prevent a worthwhile and useful annual conference then the AGM may be a virtual meeting and the provisions as to voting in clause 5.5 will apply save that voting shall be by a simple majority of those attending virtually’.

Add a new clause 8:

‘“Virtual Meeting” means any meeting where arrangements have been made in advance to allow participants to attend the meeting by means of a conference telephone video link or similar means of electronic communications at which all the participants can be heard and can hear each other without the need for them to be physically present at the same location. A person participating in such a meeting shall be deemed to be attending virtually.

“Hybrid Meeting” means any meeting at which some participants are attending the meeting in person and others are attending virtually’.

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