

Byelaw amendments to enable electronic meetings and voting

9 MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

- (1) The Council shall meet three times a year or more often if required. The Annual General Meeting shall be held ~~in June each year in London~~ **as soon after 1 June each year as is practical** and shall be called the "Electoral Meeting". ~~One meeting each year may be held outside London.~~ **Any meeting may be held by videoconference** if it is the wish of the majority of the delegates. All dates to be fixed by the Chairman. The Chairman shall have powers to direct that a meeting of any Council committee or sub-committee take place within one month. An additional meeting shall be called whenever the number of agenda items outstanding reaches more than six. (Amended 18.2.04)

10 PROCEDURE AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

- 3 Any Resolution put to the vote at ~~any~~ **a physical** meeting shall be decided by a show of hands of those present and voting, unless a poll, taking the form of a paper ballot is demanded by not fewer than six delegates or called for by the Chairman in which case the same shall be taken at such time and in such manner as the Chairman may direct. **At a videoconference the electronic polling facility should be used unless the Chair directs otherwise.** The Chairman's declaration that a resolution submitted to a show of hands or on a poll has been carried or lost shall be conclusive evidence of that fact. Scrutineers **(when required)** shall be appointed by the Chairman.

11 STANDING COMMITTEES

(1) Board of Directors

- (a) The Chairman and Vice-Chairman ex-officio, Treasurer and one or more representatives from the Council Office ex-officio together with fifteen delegates elected by the Council at its Electoral Meeting, **or by an online process as agreed by the Council at its meeting prior to the Electoral Meeting.**

(2) Board of Management (if appointed)

~~The Chairman and Vice-Chairman ex officio, the Treasurer (if appointed) and three members elected by the Council at its Electoral Meeting and one or more representatives from the Council Office ex-officio. Three voting members shall constitute a quorum. The Council Office representatives shall have no vote and the Chairman shall not be entitled to vote except where the votes for and against a proposal are equal when he shall have one vote. The Board of Management shall have responsibility for the income and expenditure policy of the Council.~~

(2) Finance Committee

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman ex officio, Treasurer and one or more representatives from the GCCF Office ex-officio and five delegates elected by the Council at its Electoral Meeting, **or by an online process as agreed by the Council at its meeting prior to the Electoral Meeting.**

Temporary Byelaw change to allow clubs to retain their entitlement to Council delegates following the loss of shows and social activities during the pandemic causing a possible fall in membership numbers.

Byelaw 3 Membership is amended FOR ONE YEAR in that:

Clubs may base their entitlement to delegate representation on the membership numbers stated on the 2019 'Club Returns' form, unless the number of members is greater in 2021 than in 2019, which must be provable by the 2021 examined club accounts, submitted by 1 May 2022.