

Ashlett Sailing Club

Proposed rule changes for consideration at the 2021 agm

Constitution 2.4v

Delete: "Flag Officers and Board Members shall be elected for a maximum of three years and then cannot stand for re-election to any committee (board) position for 1 year." *To be consistent with the rule changes we made last year.*

Proposed: Jim Hopwood,

Rule 2.2 Membership

Add condition 'e' as follows:

Membership shall be open to all without discrimination. No person shall become a member of the Club unless:-

- a. that person has completed an application for membership in a form approved by the Committee,
- b. that person has accepted the objectives and agreed to abide by the Rules of the Club, and
- c. the Committee has approved the application. The Committee reserves the right to refuse membership provided they have sufficient reason to do so.

e. the person undertakes to ensure their contact details are current and valid

The Club is a company limited by guarantee and members of the Club are also members of the Company. Liability is limited to £1, being the amount that each member undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of its being wound up while he is a member or within one year after he ceased to be a member.

Proposed: Dick Pizey,

Rule 8 Committee Members (Directors of the Board)

Membership Secretary

Current Rule

The Membership Secretary shall maintain an up to date list of members of all categories. He shall receive applications for membership and process these as appropriate. He shall issue membership renewal application forms by whatever means appropriate including online, four weeks prior to the date on which subscriptions become due. With these he shall issue application forms for moorings, winter storage and for space in the boathouse and pound. Upon return of these forms, he shall **issue membership cards to members, update the list of members and pass the subscriptions and fees to the Treasurer**. He shall also issue Club security keys. Revised lists of members shall be distributed as follows: one to each of the Officers and others as deemed necessary by the Committee.

Proposed revised Rule

The Membership Secretary shall maintain an up-to-date list of members of all categories. He shall receive applications for membership and process these as appropriate. He shall issue membership renewal application forms by whatever means appropriate including online, **at least** four weeks prior to the date on which subscriptions become due. With these he shall issue application forms for moorings, winter storage and for space in the boathouse and pound. Upon return of these forms, , **he will arrange for fees to be collected and update the membership records. For new members arrangements will be made for the issue of Club security keys.** Revised lists of members shall be distributed as follows: one to each of the Officers and others as deemed necessary by the Committee.

Proposed: Dick Pizey, Seconded: Sharon Geary Harwood

Rule 10 Annual General Meeting

The following addition was approved at the 2018 agm but never actually added to the rules:

“The Board will prepare an A5 sized Annual Report booklet to include; reports from Flag Officers and Ordinary Board Members, annual statement of accounts and any other relevant or useful information. The booklet shall be distributed so as to arrive with members no later than two weeks before an AGM.”

Propose to amend as follows:

“The Board will prepare an Annual Report to include reports from Flag Officers and Ordinary Board Members, the annual statement of accounts and any other relevant or useful information. The report shall be distributed by email so as to arrive with members no later than two weeks before the AGM. Paper copies will be posted to those few who do not use email.”

Justification: *Printing and posting hard copy reports would cost several hundred pounds. The recently introduced email newsletter reaches nearly all members at no cost. Very few members collected the paper report prepared last year.*

Proposed: Jim Hopwood, Seconded: Dick Pizey

Rule 10 Annual General Meeting

Propose to add the bold text as follows:

If the attendance of an AGM should not amount to a quorum within 30 minutes of the published start time, the meeting shall be reconvened within a month or as soon as possible thereafter, **unless the members present agree to proceed with the published business.**

Rule F Jetty, Quay and Slipway

F4 Alter as follows:

“Members wishing to use the slip for scrubbing, maintenance, launching or recovery of cruisers must make a reservation beforehand ~~on a list on the Club notice board~~ in the On-line Calendar on the website.”

Proposed: Dick Pizey, Seconded: Dave Waters