Proposed amendments to the Constitution, Thursday 8th October 2025

Current clause

12: 2c Eligibility for Trusteeship

Every charity Trustee must reside in Kew unless agreed by members in a general meeting

Amendment

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Every charity Trustee must live or have lived in Kew unless agreed by members in a general meeting

Current clause

14:1 Appointment of the Society's Officers

The Chair, the Vice-Chair, the Secretary and the Treasurer shall be the officers of the Society and shall be elected at each annual general meeting from among the trustees. Each of them shall hold office until the next annual general meeting or earlier retirement.

Amendment

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The position of Chair shall be replaced with the creation of two Co-Chairs.

The Co-Chairs, the Vice-Chair, the Secretary and the Treasurer shall be the officers of the Society and shall be elected at each annual general meeting from among the trustees. Each of them shall hold office until the next annual general meeting or earlier retirement.

Current clause

20: 2 Chairing of meetings

The person elected as Chair by the members under Clause 14, shall if present at the meeting and willing to act, preside as Chair of the meeting. Subject to that, one of the charity trustees may appoint one of their number present to chair the meeting.

Amendment

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One of the two people elected as Co-Chairs by the members under Clause 14, shall if present at the meeting and are willing to act, preside as Chair of the meeting. Subject to that, one of the charity trustees may appoint one of their number present to chair the meeting.