

## **Motions to update to the CSSA Constitution – Nov20**

### **Motion 1: To open the time window for holding the AGM from between 1<sup>st</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April to between 1<sup>st</sup> April and 30<sup>th</sup> June.**

Change clause 9(1) from –

(1) An Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held in April of each year for the purpose of:

To –

(1) An Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held between 1<sup>st</sup> April and 30<sup>th</sup> June of each year for the purpose of:

### **Motion 2: To make clear that remote participants have full voting rights and make proxy voting compatible with virtual meetings**

Change clause 11(1) from –

(1) Subject to Rule 4(3), all members of the Association may attend at General Meeting and speak, but only a Full Member or Honorary Life Member may be a voting member. A member who is entitled to exercise a vote but who is unable to attend the meeting may, by written authority given to another voting member, cast his vote or votes by proxy; the written authority shall be handed by the proxy to the Secretary before the meeting starts.

To –

(1) Subject to Rule [3(2)(c) if Motion 4 is approved] 4(3), all members of the Association may attend a General Meeting and speak, but only a Full Member or Honorary Life Member may be a voting member. A member who is entitled to exercise a vote but who is unable to attend the meeting may, by an authorising document given to another voting member, cast his vote or votes by proxy; the Secretary shall receive the authorising document before the meeting starts. The General Committee may make provision for remote electronic participation and voting. Voting for the appointment of Officers and Committee members is by ballot of members before the General Meeting (Rule 8).

Change the first sentence of clause 11(3) from –

(3) A quorum shall be twenty voting members present, of which at ...

To –

(3) A quorum shall be twenty voting members present in person or remotely, of which at ...

### **Motion 3: To provide for reconvening a quorate general meeting should a general meeting be inquorate**

Change clause 11(3) from –

(3) A quorum shall be twenty voting members present, of which at least one member shall be a Flag Officer, the General Secretary or the Treasurer.

To –

(3) A quorum shall be twenty voting members present in person or remotely, of which at least one member shall be a Flag Officer, the General Secretary or the Treasurer. If a quorum is not reached the meeting shall be postponed and reconvened in accordance with Rule 9 or 10 and the members present shall be deemed a quorum.

**Motion 4: To remove reference to the obsolete Associate Membership** (and provision for payment of subscriptions)

The following changes are proposed –

Delete the whole of clause 3(1)(b) and renumber subsequent sub-clauses

Delete ‘and a sum equivalent to any subscription paid returned’ in clause 3(2)(a)

Delete ‘or Associate’ in clause 3(2)(b)

Insert new clause 3(2)(c) ‘No member other than honorary members shall in any year be entitled to exercise his vote or enjoy any other rights or privileges until he has satisfied the Membership Secretary, on request, as to his continued membership of the Council.’ in place of deleted clause 4(3) and renumber the subsequent sub-clause.

Delete ‘No rebate of subscription shall be payable on resignation save in special circumstances at the General Committee’s discretion. A member whose notice of resignation is received on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January shall be liable for any subscription payable to the Association for the year then beginning.’ from clause 3(3)

Delete the whole of clause 4 and replace with ‘Recognising that members must be members of the Council and so make annual payments for their Council shareholding, and that the Council pays the Association an annual Membership Grant, the Association does not levy an additional membership subscription.’ See also new clause 3(2)(c)

Delete ‘Associate Members,’ in clause 5(4)(c)

Delete ‘, or whose subscription remains unpaid for more than three months,’ in clause 5(4)(d)

Delete ‘The number of CSSA Associate Members of a Division shall not be more than 10% of the number of Full Members of that Division.’ from clause 12