Motion 1

That Civil Service Sailing Association adopt the new draft constitution with the intention of it coming into effect from 31 March 2027.

Motion 2

That clubs wishing to Affiliate or continue to be affiliates under that Civil Service Sailing Association constitution, notify their intent by 15th February 2027. It will be deemed that those clubs who do not declare their intent by that date no longer wish to be affiliated to the Association and will cease to be Affiliates from 31 March 2027

Motion 3

That the accumulated funds held by the Association on behalf of those clubs that disaffiliate are passed to them.

Motion 4

That the funds held on behalf of those clubs opting to remain Affiliated to the Association be granted to the Affiliates but held by the Association as loans from those Affiliates to provide additional funds for future capital loans to the Affiliates from the Association.

Explanatory note for motions 3 and 4

As at 1st November 2026 CSSA's general fund stands at £376,690. There also are restricted funds of £49,175 and unrestricted funds of £36,748 held as a result of the Maurice Gates bequest.

As at 1st November 2026 Affiliates have a total of £199,539 in loans from the Association

The CSSA General committee will decide what proportion of the accumulated funds are held on behalf of the Affiliates and what is CSSA's own capital.

The outstanding funds allocated under the Maurice Gates bequest to 5KSC and ECYD will be protected and paid to them as appropriate in due course (£85,923)

Any grant funding already agreed will be protected (£1,300)

The actual calculation of any sums to be passed to disaffiliating clubs will be based on the balance of the unprotected funds held on behalf of the all clubs.

The aim will be that Affiliates will continue to have access to loan funding for large capital purchases through the pooling of resources, both CSSA's capital and Affiliates loans.

Comment

Would have liked the dates above to have been 31 Dec 2026 and 15th December 2026 but chosen a later date in case Affiliates need to consult their membership before showing intent. Also would give longer for CSSC to approve the changes to the constitution.