CSSA SGM 2026

Why are we here?

Changes at CSSC have forced changes in CSSA

- We have General Committee (GC) recommendations
- Expressions of support of GC recommendations welcome

- This is your opportunity to raise any concerns over the direction of travel

Changes at the Council (CSSC)

- A move to sustainable funding for sport (and generally)
- Abolition of Sports & Recreational Bodies (SRBs) such as CSSA
- Ceasing of funding of the Association (CSSA)
  - And funding of Clubs directly (in proportion to Council membership)

Changes at the Association (CSSA)

- Lost Council support for sailing except
  - Provision of preferential leases of Council property
  - Administrative support for National Regattas

- Lost central Council funding
- Lost Council registered ownership of yachts
- Council required formation of CLGs to own assets, leases, etc.
- Council designated Tier 2 (low) priority to sailing
- Association restructured – Divisions became Affiliates

A future for the Association (CSSA)?

- Affiliated Clubs (mainly operators of club yachts) seek -
  - Pooled funds – a credit union to provide loans
  - Skipper approval management
  - A home for special interest groups
    - expert panels (incident investigation; implementing law, guidance; etc.)
    - Cruising, racing, training, etc. aboard dinghies, yachts
  - Shared publicity and marketing
  - Pathways between affiliated clubs and inter-club relations

- Clubs may disaffiliate from the Association

General Committee proposals

- A revised Association constitution to -
  - Address changes at the Council
  - Address wishes of Clubs wanting to remain affiliated
    - See Paper C Basis of the recast CSSA constitution

- A target implementation date of 31st March 2027

- Return to Clubs of funds held by the Association on Clubs' behalf

Discussion

Motions

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.

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