



CHARTS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTS CONSTITUTION

Notice is hereby given of proposals to amend the CHARTS constitution as follows:

Para 60: After “At each AGM the members may elect”, delete the remainder of the clause and insert “members to be charity trustees, such that the total number of elected members does not exceed 10”.

Para 61: After “until the following AGM”, add “at which they must stand for election if they wish to continue as a charity trustee.”

Para 62: Replace the existing clause with: “From the 2026 AGM, the charity trustees elected under clause 60 shall serve for a term of four years and shall then be eligible to stand for re-election for one further term of a maximum of four years.”

Para 65: Replace clause 65 with “From the 2026 AGM, the charity trustees appointed under clause 64 shall serve for a term of four years and shall then be eligible to stand for re-appointment under that clause for one further term of a maximum of four years.”

Paras 75 and 76: Delete.

Para 77. Add “; or” at the end of 77.2 and insert a new sub-clause 77.3: “if the Board wishes to elect a different trustee to hold the office.”

Justification: Under the present constitution, all elected board trustees must resign at each AGM and stand for re-election. Now that CHARTS has been established for several years, this seems unduly disruptive and runs the risk of the experience and expertise that CHARTS relies on leaving simultaneously. It is not best practice for SCIOs.

We want to make best use of the available expertise and allow members to develop their contribution to the Board over a predictable period, while also ensuring that



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there is regular refreshing of the Board membership. We would therefore like to move to a system of longer terms of appointment, with a maximum limit of two terms. The intention is that the second term would be of up to four years, so that Board members' retiral dates could be staggered to suit both the members and the organisation.

The deletion of clauses 75 and 76 is to bring the election of office bearers into line with the election of trustees. The addition of paragraph 77.3 is to provide a means for the Board to remove a trustee as office bearer if it so wishes, since there will no longer be an annual election process.

These amendments are tracked on a copy of the present constitution annexed to this paper. The copy also includes proposed minor drafting and technical amendments, for example to reflect that CHARTS is now operational and that the number of trustees should remain at 16.

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Secretary
August 2026.