

## Notification of proposed amendments to NGOC Constitution

The Constitution states within Section 6 that *“Any proposal to change the Constitution, or any other formal proposal to be put to the AGM, must be received in writing by the Secretary at least 21 days before the meeting, and shall be notified to all members prior to the meeting”*. This document is intended to provide notification to members of a proposed change.

Neil Cameron (member) suggested last year that the wording relating to voting regarding constitutional change included in the final paragraph of Section 6 was ambiguous and should be improved. The current wording is: *“An 80% majority of those voting shall be required to change the Constitution”*.

The Committee accepts that this wording is not entirely clear and is in favour of a change to the wording of Section 6, as follows:

**Delete** *“An 80% majority of those voting shall be required to change the Constitution.”*

**Replace with** *“To change the Constitution, at least 80% of valid votes cast must be in favour of the proposed change”*.

Similar wording appears in Section 9 and for consistency a change is proposed as follows:

**Delete** *“An 80% majority of those voting in person or by proxy shall be required to dissolve the Club”*.

**Replace with** *“To dissolve the Club, at least 80% of valid votes cast must be in favour of dissolution”*.

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