

Comparison of the two Constitutions - June 2019

Name and Legal status retained; corrections made to the boundaries

Main Objective, Ancillary Objective and Additional Aims and Objectives have been replaced by Mandate, Purpose, Objectives – reorganisation and clarification with some additions.

Who do we represent?

- We have included NGOs and CBOs as having the same status as businesses
- We need to decide if non-resident owners are members. A Civic of Residents and Property Owners is typically called a Residents and Ratepayers Association. The concern is that owner who are absent landlords may exercise say in the Civic. But if we do away with proxies, this issue is much less important – see proxies below.

Finances section has been expanded a bit

Membership has been tightened up with more clear member rights and procedures for verification.

The functioning of the Management Committee is specified in more detail

- Longer list of the powers
- A new section on Sub-Groups and how they relate to the rest of the organisation and the Man Comm
- More detail on the duties of office bearers
- Role of an Exco with powers delegated to it by Man Comm outlined (“may delegate”)

We have kept the sections on Committee vacancies (shorter) and Committee members AWOL

Notice of meetings is unchanged

More details on the different types of meetings and notice needed, quorum, etc

AGM is described in more detail with regard to nominations to the ManComm and the process for elections at the AGM.

The section on Voting now includes a lot of detail on proxy voting (and has chosen the option of general proxy where the proxy is free to exercise their judgement in a vote in the meeting rather than limited proxy where the proxy can only vote how the member specified). If we decide to drop any proxies, this will fall away.

Retained the Code of Conduct within the Constitution (the first committee suggested taking it out of the Constitution) and added a clause referring back to a disciplinary process in the event of a breach.

Alteration of the Constitution has a couple of clauses added.

Retained the same clause on Recognition of the OCA by the City.

Retained the section on Amalgamation and Dissolution