

## **PROPOSED CHANGE TO CLUB RULES**

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**Purpose of change :** In order to qualify for Community Amateur Sports Club (“CASC”) status, we have to meet criteria to ensure the Club operates within the requirements of current legislation. In most cases the Club meets such criteria but the following changes are necessary to confirm we do not discriminate illegally when considering new membership applications.

**The proposed rule change affects rules 4 and 6 under the heading “Membership” and need to be performed simultaneously to achieve the purpose stated.**

### **Rule 4**

The current rule states:

- 4) Any person of good character and repute interested in sailing is eligible as a candidate for membership of the Club.

The proposed rule would be:

- 4) Membership of the Club shall be open to anyone interested in sailing on application regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs. However, limitation of membership according to available facilities is allowable on a non-discriminatory basis.

### **Rule 6**

The current rule states:

- 6) Members other than Honorary Members shall be elected at Meetings of the General Committee. The election of any candidate shall, if requested by any one member of the General Committee, be by secret ballot and in the event of two or more votes against election the candidate shall be excluded from membership. The names and addresses of any persons proposed for election to membership shall be displayed on the Club Notice Board for not less than fourteen days before their election.

The proposed rule would be:

- 6) The Club Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for a good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or the sport of sailing into disrepute. Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to the Members