

Proposed Amendment to CHA Constitution Section 11.10

On 10 September 2015 a motion to amend the Constitution was received from Community Housing Trust, a Full Member of CHA. The amendment is proposed to Section 11.10 regarding how votes are cast. The current requirement is for all voting to be by a show of hands of those present. The proposed amendment will allow both voice votes and paper ballots. Voice voting will provide for more efficient running of the Annual General meeting. Paper ballots will provide for anonymity of voting when appropriate. An example is for the election of Council members where there are more candidates than positions available.

Below is the existing and the proposed text. A vote of 2/3 of the Full Members present at the AGM is required to approve this amendment.

Existing Text

11.10 The right to vote shall be exercised in person or by proxy or alternatively a signed vote shall be received by the Society's registered office by mail or email 24 hours before the said General Meeting. Voting shall be by a show of hands and will include any mail or email received within the acceptable timeframe from a Full Member except where exceptions are provided for in this Constitution.

Proposed Text

11.10 The right to vote shall be exercised in person or by proxy or alternatively a signed vote shall be received by the Society's registered office by mail or email 24 hours before the said General Meeting. At the Chair's discretion, ~~V~~voting shall be either by a paper ballot, a voice vote or by a show of hands and will include any mail or email received within the acceptable timeframe from a Full Member except where exceptions are provided for in this Constitution.