

Constitution Updates

The following proposals are proposed and seconded by the Committee.

PROPOSAL 1

Add New paragraph 1 and renumber all subsequent paragraphs accordingly.

1. "Principals.

Pompey Pool League was constituted on 14th July 2014.

The fundamental founding principles of Pompey Pool League are:

- a. To provide a Pool League, run by a Committee, whose members are elected by the members of the League.
- b. To provide transparency and accountability for the actions of the Committee.
- c. To provide financial transparency in all matters.
- d. To ensure all members views are heard and fairly dealt with.
- e. To ensure that no single Venue has overall control of the Committee.

This section (Paragraph 1) of the constitution is irrevocable and may not be altered in any way. No other part of this constitution may be made irrevocable and may be subject to change, through the provision provided by this Constitution."

All subsequent paragraphs to be renumbered accordingly.

PROPOSAL 2

Committee Membership Rules.

Para 3f

Membership of the Committee is limited to a maximum of two representatives per Venue. Should more than two representatives from a Venue stand for election, the candidates voted third place and below will be removed from the election.

Change to:

Membership of the Committee is limited to a maximum of **three elected** representatives per Venue. **For those standing for election to the committee, the candidates with the most votes will be elected, up to the maximum of three representatives per Venue, including standing committee members. Any further candidates from that Venue will be removed from the election.**

Any Venue with three elected representatives on the committee, may not hold the chair.

{this is to maintain the status quo, as there is currently a maximum of 3 votes per Venue – 2 plus the casting vote}

Para 6b

Each elected committee member will hold one vote. In addition, the Chair will hold the casting vote. The meeting chair will be held by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, League Secretary or Treasurer depending upon individual availability (in that order of precedence).

Change to:

Each elected committee member will hold one vote. In addition, the Chair will hold the casting vote. The meeting chair will be held by the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, League Secretary or Treasurer **or other elected Committee member** depending upon individual availability (in that order of precedence) **and following the provisions of Rule 3f.**

Para 6c

A quorum for committee meetings is 4 members.

Change to:

The quorum for committee meetings is **5 elected** members.

PROPOSAL 3

Tidy ups:

3h Change "The committee shall have full authority to make any decision that, in their opinion, is deemed necessary".

To "The League Committee shall have full authority to make any decision that, in their opinion, is deemed necessary, other than for matters governed by this Constitution" *{should always have said that}*

4.c Replace "section 3.b.ii" with "section 3.b". *{there is no para 3.b.ii}*

7.a.ii Replace "full management committee" with "League Committee" *{wording clean-up}*

7.d Replace "management committee" with "League Committee" *{wording clean-up}*

8g Delete. *{No longer relevant as we are now playing Official rules}*

PROPOSAL 4

8c All players must be aged 18 years or over with the exception that junior players of **16** years *{Change 15 to 16}*

PROPOSAL 5

8h Remove completely and add to the rules. *{These are purely administrative rules and should be under the control of the committee}*

PROPOSAL 6

New paragraph.

Deals with the removal of a committee member. Under 3h ("The committee shall have full authority to make any decision that, in their opinion, is deemed necessary") the Committee can do this and deny any right of arbitration. This should be covered by the constitution and include a specific route for arbitration and effectively limits the power of the Committee.

8. Request for the Resignation of an Elected Member of the League Committee.

- a. An elected member of the League Committee may be asked to resign as a result of either:
 - i. A majority vote by the League Committee.
 - ii. A written request made by the Teams, that is duly proposed and seconded by different Teams.

Either of these actions must be supported by documented reasons.

In case of (ii), the request will be reviewed, to assess if the reasons come under the authority of the Pompey Pool League. This will be undertaken in accordance with the current version of the Pompey Pool League Complaints Procedure.

Following either of these events, the elected committee member will be informed in writing, by the League Committee, within 7 days, of the reason(s) for the request.

- b. The elected member of the League Committee shall, after being provided with a request under this section, be suspended as an elected member of Pompey Pool League Committee, until such time as the matter is resolved.
- c. Should the elected member disagree with the request for resignation, the League Committee will convene an open meeting, within 14 days of the request. The open meeting will take place within no more than 28 days of the request. Invitations to this meeting will be sent by the League Committee to all Team Captains, by email.
- d. Removal of an Elected League Committee Member at an Open Meeting.
 - i. Any elected member of the League Committee may be removed from their post for any reason and at any time, irrespective of the remaining period of their tenure. This must be agreed by an open meeting that is called as a result of paragraph 8a. Attendance rights are defined in section 3b. Voting will be 1 vote per team.
 - ii. The elected member of the League Committee shall provide to the League Secretary, in writing, their response to the reason(s) for the request, at least 7 days before the open meeting.
 - iii. The chair of this meeting will be the League Chairman, League Secretary or Treasurer (in that order of precedence). The chair may not be either the originator or recipient of the request.
 - iv. The reason(s) for the request will be read to the elected member of the League Committee and the chair will present the evidence and ask questions of the elected member of the League Committee and any other witnesses.
 - v. The elected member of the League Committee will then be given an opportunity to respond and use evidence to support their position and call any witnesses.
 - vi. Once both sides have summarised their position, the matter will be put to a vote. The motion to remove the elected member of the League Committee must pass by simple majority.