Amending the Cardiff Landlord Forum Constitution

The Management Committee has decided to put the following amendments forward for voting by the Cardiff Landlord Forum's members.

The Committee argues these make provision for more flexibility to elect a Chair and Vice Chair of the Forum in the event that no nominations for either post are received.

The Constitution currently says:

"Amendments to the constitution can be made at an AGM or EGM. The Management Committee may propose amendments to the constitution, as may a voting member with a proposer and a seconder from the voting members and with the support of ¼ or a minimum of 20 voting members (whichever is the less) of the voting members may put forward a motion for amending the Constitution."

The Committee wishes to add as a note to the below suggestions that the position in the constitution which are suggested in the amendments are as such for the purposes of relevance and 'flow' of the constitution as currently written.

Amendment 1

That the following be added to "Elections" section subsequent to paragraph 5:

"If fewer than five nominations for the Committee – which includes Chair and Vice Chair – are made, then nominations can be made from the floor of the AGM, and seconded. Both nominee and seconder must be full voting members of the Forum. Standard election rules apply after the closing of these nominations."

Amendment 2

That the following be added to "Elections" section subsequent to paragraph 5:

"If no nominations for either Chair or Vice Chair are submitted for election at the Annual General Meeting and no candidate is nominated and seconded from the floor of the AGM, then the option exists for the term of either post to be extended for six months at which point another election will be held for the vacant position. If no nominations are then accepted, then the Management Committee will be given the power to appoint a Chair and Vice Chair from the Committee to complete the term of Chair until the next Annual General Meeting."

If Amendment 2 is passed, this voids Amendment 3 and thus no vote will be taken on Amendment 3.

Amendment 3

That the following be added to "Elections" section subsequent to paragraph 5:

"If no nominations for either Chair or Vice Chair are submitted for election at the Annual General Meeting and no candidate is nominated and seconded from the floor of the AGM, then the option exists for the term of either post to be extended for six months at which point another election will be held for the vacant position."

Amendment 4

That the following be added to "Elections" section subsequent to paragraph 3:

"If no nominations for either Chair or Vice Chair have been submitted at the close of the deadline as outlined, then they can be re-opened with a new deadline of at least 2 weeks prior to the AGM."

Amendment 5

If Amendment 1 or Amendment 2 passes, then add:

"Members can be nominated in absentia from the floor if they have communicated to the current committee their wish to stand."