

**Notice of the resolution for proposed terms of alteration to the constitution
regarding process for conducting elections**

The BOPA committee have discussed minor updates to the constitution to reflect current working practices.

Please find attached a proposed amendment to the constitution, see sections 21, 23 and 24. The purpose of this amendment is to allow the Executive Committee to notify the membership and elect new committee members through email and/or online voting tools. In addition this amendment will minimise cost and administration time for the charity, as well as reducing our environmental impact.

The changes are being consulted upon from Friday 21st of September and will be tabled at the AGM on Saturday 13th October 2018 at the Birmingham Symposium for discussion and then approval will be sought by members vote.

Descriptions of changes are given below and can be seen as tracked changes on attached document.

Section 21 d	<p>Removal of section stating</p> <p><i>'Nominations for election to the Executive Committee must be made by members of the Charity in writing and must be in the hands of the secretary (or nominated deputy) of the Executive Committee at least 14 days before the annual general meeting. Should nominations exceed vacancies, election shall be by ballot. Votes will be cast by post and the results announced at the annual general meeting or by post.'</i></p> <p>Due to duplication in section 22 see below</p>
Section 22 c, d ,f	<p>Addition of new section c and f amendment of section d(c)</p> <p><i>c. Nominations for election to the Executive Committee must be made by members of the Charity in writing (submission may be by post or by email) and must be in the hands of the secretary (or nominated deputy) of the Executive Committee at least 14 days before the annual general meeting.</i></p> <p><i>d. Nominations must be signed by the nominee.</i></p> <p><i>e. A seconder must support each nomination.</i></p> <p><i>f. Should nominations exceed vacancies, election shall be by ballot. Votes will be cast by post or suitable online voting tool and the results announced at the annual general meeting or by post or email (see section 24)</i></p>
Section 24	<p>Added additional text to section a i</p> <p><i>'by mail or suitable online voting tool'</i></p>