

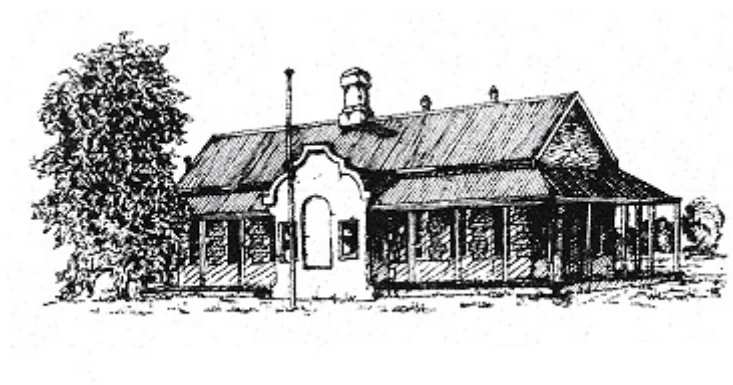


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INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE COMMISSIONER

The information is provided to the Commissioner under section 29 (5) is as follows:

- A. The name of the Association is: *Avon Valley Arts Society Inc*
- B. The objects of the Association are:
 - 1. *To provide a service initiating, encouraging, inspiring, promoting, valuing and supporting the development of a diverse range of arts and cultural activity throughout Northam, the Avon Valley and the Wheatbelt.*
 - 2. *To assist regional communities in the Avon Valley and surrounding areas to recognise and move towards their full creative potential as individuals and contributors to their community.*
- C. Any 10% of the Financial Members if the membership number is less than 100 or 10 for membership of 100 or more personally present (being members entitled to vote under these Rules at a General Meeting) will constitute a quorum for the conduct of business at a General Meeting.
- D. Any 50% plus one of Committee members (including office bearers) constitutes a quorum for the conduct of the business of the Management Committee.
- E. The Association's financial year will be the period of 12 months commencing on 1 July and ending on 30 June of each year.

PART 1 — PRELIMINARY

1. Terms used

In these rules, unless the contrary intention appears —

Act means the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015*;

Associate member means a member with the rights referred to in rule 8(6);

Association means the incorporated association known as Avon Valley Arts Society (Inc) to which these rules apply;

Books, of the Association, includes the following —

- (a) a register;
- (b) financial records, financial statements or financial reports, however compiled, recorded or stored;
- (c) a document;
- (d) any other record of information;

By Laws means by-laws made by the Association under rule 64;

Chairperson means the Committee member holding office as the chairperson of the Association;

Commissioner means the person for the time being designated as the Commissioner under section 153 of the Act;

Committee means the management committee of the Association;

Committee meeting means a meeting of the committee;

Committee member means a member of the committee;

Financial records includes —

- (a) invoices, receipts, orders for the payment of money, bills of exchange, cheques, promissory notes and vouchers; and
- (b) documents of prime entry; and
- (c) working papers and other documents needed to explain —
 - (i) the methods by which financial statements are prepared; and
 - (ii) adjustments to be made in preparing financial statements;

Financial report, of a tier 2 association or a tier 3 association, has the meaning given in section 63 of the Act;

Financial statements means the financial statements in relation to the Association required under Part 5 Division 3 of the Act;

Financial year, of the Association, has the meaning given in rule 2;

General meeting, of the Association, means a meeting of the Association that all members are entitled to receive notice of and to attend;

Member means a person (including a body corporate) who is an ordinary member or an associate member of the Association;

Ordinary committee member means a committee member who is not an office holder of the Association under rule 27(3);

Ordinary member means a member with the rights referred to in rule 8(5);

Register of members means the register of members referred to in section 53 of the Act;

Rules means these rules of the Association, as in force for the time being;

Secretary means the committee member holding office as the secretary of the Association;

Special general meeting means a general meeting of the Association other than the annual general meeting;

Special resolution means a resolution passed by the members at a general meeting in accordance with section 51 of the Act;

Sub-committee means a subcommittee appointed by the committee under rule 48(1)(a);

Tier 1 association means an incorporated association to which section 64(1) of the Act applies;

Tier 2 association means an incorporated association to which section 64(2) of the Act applies;

Tier 3 association means an incorporated association to which section 64(3) of the Act applies;

Treasurer means the committee member holding office as the treasurer of the Association.

2. Financial year

- (1) The first financial year of the Association is to be the period notified to the Commissioner under section 7(4)(e) or, if relevant, section 29(5)(e) of the Act.
- (2) Each subsequent financial year of the Association is the period of 12 months commencing at the termination of the first financial year or the anniversary of that termination.

PART 2 — ASSOCIATION TO BE NOT FOR PROFIT BODY

3. Not-for-profit body

- (1) The property and income of the Association must be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects or purposes of the Association and no part of that property or income may be paid or otherwise distributed, directly or indirectly, to any member, except in good faith in the promotion of those objects or purposes.
- (2) A payment may be made to a member out of the funds of the Association only if it is authorised under sub-rule (3).
- (3) A payment to a member out of the funds of the Association is authorised if it is —
 - (a) the payment in good faith to the member as reasonable remuneration for any services provided to the Association, or for goods supplied to the Association, in the ordinary course of business; or
 - (b) the payment of interest, on money borrowed by the Association from the member, at a rate not greater than the cash rate published from time to time by the Reserve Bank of Australia; or
 - (c) the payment of reasonable rent to the member for premises leased by the member to the Association; or
 - (d) the reimbursement of reasonable expenses properly incurred by the member on behalf of the Association.

PART 3 — MEMBERS

Division 1 — Membership

4. Eligibility for membership

- (1) Any person who supports the objects or purposes of the Association is eligible to become a member.
- (2) Any individual who has not reached the age of 18 years is not eligible to become an ordinary member of the Association with full voting rights.

5. Applying for membership

- (1) A person who wants to become a member must complete the appropriate application form of the Association.
- (2) The application must be signed & dated by the applicant.
- (3) The applicant must specify in the application the class of membership, if there is more than one, to which the application relates.
- (4) The applicant must include full payment at the time of completing their application form.

6. Dealing with membership applications

- (1) Application for membership of the Association will be accepted with full payment of appropriate fees due.
- (2) Application for membership of the Association will be accepted at any time during the year and is valid for a period of 12 months from payment of fees due.

7. Becoming a member

- (1) An applicant immediately becomes a member on payment of membership fees and is entitled to exercise all rights and privileges of membership, including the right to vote (if applicable) and must comply with all the obligations of membership of the Association under these Rules.
- (2) On becoming a member, the Association (Management Committee) must provide the member with a copy of the Association Rules in force at the time their membership commences.

8. Classes of membership

- (1) The Association consists of Ordinary Membership (single adult), Concession Membership (student/adult student or Pension recipient) and Family Membership (2 x adult + 2 x student).
- (2) Other classes of membership are –
 - a. Honorary Life Membership – is granted to a member who has contributed meritorious continued service to the Association as determined by the Management Committee from time to time. Honorary Life Members have all the rights and privileges of an Ordinary Member including voting rights.
 - b. Invited Honorary Member – is granted to a person providing a specialised service to the Association and is granted for a period of 12 months by the Management Committee. Invited Honorary Members have all rights of membership other than voting rights.
 - c. Patron – Patrons have all the privileges of an Ordinary Member except voting rights unless they are also an Ordinary (Financial) Member.
 - d. Organisation/Business Associate Membership – granted to organisations or businesses approved by resolution at a general meeting.
- (3) An individual who has not reached the age of 18 years is only eligible to be a Concession member and has all rights & privileges except voting rights.
- (4) A person can only belong to one class of membership.
- (5) An Ordinary (Financial) Member has full voting rights and any other rights conferred on members by these rules or approved by resolution at a general meeting or determined by the committee.
- (6) An Associate member (Organisation/Business) has the rights referred to in sub-rule (5) other than full voting rights.
- (7) The number of members of any class is not limited unless otherwise approved by resolution at a general meeting.

9. When membership ceases

- (1) A person ceases to be a member when any of the following takes place —
 - (a) for a member who is an individual, the individual dies;

- (b) for a member who is an Associate member (Organisation/Business), the Organisation/Business ceases to exist or is wound up;
 - (c) the person resigns from the Association under rule 10;
 - (d) the person is expelled from the Association under rule 15;
 - (e) the person ceases to be a member under rule 12(4).
- (2) The secretary must keep a record, for at least one year after a person ceases to be a member, of —
- (a) the date on which the person ceased to be a member; and
 - (b) the reason why the person ceased to be a member.

10. Resignation

- (1) A member may resign from membership of the Association by giving written notice of the resignation to the secretary.
- (2) The resignation takes effect —
- (a) when the secretary receives the notice; or
 - (b) if a later time is stated in the notice, at that later time.
- (3) A person who has resigned from membership of the Association remains liable for any fees that are owed to the Association (the **owed amount**) at the time of resignation.
- (4) The owed amount may be recovered by the Association in a court of competent jurisdiction as a debt due to the Association.

11. Rights not transferable

The rights of a member are not transferable and end when membership ceases.

Division 2 — Membership fees

12. Membership fees

- (1) The Management Committee must determine the annual membership fee (if any) to be paid for membership of the Association.
- (2) The fees determined under sub-rule (1) may be different for different classes of membership.
- (3) A member must pay the annual membership fee to the treasurer, or another person authorised by the Management Committee to accept payments, by the date (the **due date**) determined by the Committee.
- (4) If a member has not paid the annual membership fee within the period of 3 months after the due date, the member ceases to be a member on the expiry of that period.
- (5) If a person who has ceased to be a member under sub-rule (4) offers to pay the annual membership fee after the period referred to in that sub-rule has expired —
- (a) the Management Committee may, at its discretion, accept that payment; and
 - (b) if the payment is accepted, the person's membership is reinstated from the date the payment is accepted.

Division 3 — Register of members

13. Register of members

- (1) The secretary, or another person authorised by the Management Committee, is responsible for the requirements imposed on the Association under Section 53 of the Act to maintain the Register of Members and record in that register any change in the membership of the Association.

- (2) In addition to the matters referred to in section 53(2) of the Act, the Register of Members must include the class of membership (if applicable) to which each member belongs and the date on which each member becomes a member.
- (3) The Register of Members must be kept in a secure location at the office of Avon Valley Arts Society Inc, or at another place determined by the Management Committee.
- (4) A member who wishes to inspect the Register of Members must contact the secretary to make the necessary arrangements.
 - (a) A member who wishes to inspect the Register of Members must contact the Secretary in the first instance and provide the Secretary with a Statutory Declaration setting out the purpose for which an inspection of the Register of Members is required.
 - (b) Further, in the interests of Privacy, only the names of the members in the Register of Members will be accessible for inspection.
 - (c) In conclusion the Secretary is the sole custodian of the Membership Register. The Register is not to leave their control, and the Secretary will be present if a member wishes to view the register. The register is not to be copied using any electronic means or device, including photocopier, mobile phone or electronic tablet, etc.

PART 4 — DISCIPLINARY ACTION, DISPUTES AND MEDIATION

Division 1 — Term used

14. Term used: member

In this Part —

Member, in relation to a member who is expelled from the Association, includes former member.

Division 2 — Disciplinary action

15. Suspension or expulsion

- (1) The Management Committee may decide to suspend a member's membership or to expel a member from the Association if —
 - (a) the member contravenes any of these rules; or
 - (b) the member acts detrimentally to the interests of the Association.
- (2) The Secretary must give the member written notice of the proposed suspension or expulsion at least 28 days before the Management Committee meeting at which the proposal is to be considered by the committee.
- (3) The notice given to the member must state —
 - (a) when and where the Management Committee meeting is to be held; and
 - (b) the grounds on which the proposed suspension or expulsion is based; and
 - (c) that the member, or the member's representative, may attend the meeting and will be given a reasonable opportunity to make written or oral (or both written and oral) submissions to the Management Committee about the proposed suspension or expulsion;
- (4) At the Management Committee meeting, the committee must —

- (a) give the member, or the member's representative, a reasonable opportunity to make written or oral (or both written and oral) submissions to the committee about the proposed suspension or expulsion; and
 - (b) give due consideration to any submissions so made; and
 - (c) decide —
 - (i) whether or not to suspend the member's membership and, if the decision is to suspend the membership, the period of suspension; or
 - (ii) whether or not to expel the member from the Association.
- (5) A decision of the Management Committee to suspend the member's membership or to expel the member from the Association takes immediate effect.
- (6) The Management Committee must give the member written notice of the committee's decision, and the reasons for the decision, within 7 days after the Management Committee meeting at which the decision is made.
- (7) A member whose membership is suspended or who is expelled from the Association may, within 14 days after receiving notice of the Management Committee's decision under sub-rule (6), give written notice to the secretary requesting the appointment of a mediator under rule 23.
- (8) If notice is given under sub-rule (7), the member who gives the notice and the Management Committee are the parties to the mediation.

16. Consequences of suspension

- (1) During the period a member's membership is suspended, the member —
- (a) loses any rights (including voting rights) arising as a result of membership; and
 - (b) is not entitled to a refund, rebate, relief or credit for membership fees paid, or payable, to the Association.
- (2) When a member's membership is suspended, the secretary must record in the register of members —
- (a) that the member's membership is suspended; and
 - (b) the date on which the suspension takes effect; and
 - (c) the period of the suspension.
- (3) When the period of the suspension ends, the secretary must record in the register of members that the member's membership is no longer suspended.

Division 3 — Resolving disputes

17. Terms used

In this Division —

Grievance procedure means the procedures set out in this Division;

Party to a dispute includes a person —

- (a) who is a party to the dispute; and
- (b) who ceases to be a member within 6 months before the dispute has come to the attention of each party to the dispute.

18. Application of Division

The procedure set out in this Division (the grievance procedure) applies to disputes —

- (a) between members; or
- (b) between one or more members and the Association.

19. Parties to attempt to resolve dispute

The parties to a dispute must attempt to resolve the dispute between themselves within 14 days after the dispute has come to the attention of each party.

20. How grievance procedure is started

- (1) If the parties to a dispute are unable to resolve the dispute between themselves within the time required by rule 19, any party to the dispute may start the grievance procedure by giving written notice to the secretary of —
 - (a) the parties to the dispute; and
 - (b) the matters that are the subject of the dispute.
- (2) Within 28 days after the Secretary is given the notice, a Management Committee meeting must be convened to consider and determine the dispute.
- (3) The Secretary must give each party to the dispute written notice of the Management Committee meeting at which the dispute is to be considered and determined at least 7 days before the meeting is held.
- (4) The notice given to each party to the dispute must state —
 - (a) when and where the Management Committee meeting is to be held; and
 - (b) that the party, or the party's representative, may attend the meeting and will be given a reasonable opportunity to make written or oral (or both written and oral) submissions to the committee about the dispute.
- (5) If —
 - (a) the dispute is between one or more members and the Association; and
 - (b) any party to the dispute gives written notice to the secretary stating that the party —
 - (i) does not agree to the dispute being determined by the Management Committee; and
 - (ii) requests the appointment of a mediator under rule 23,

the Management Committee must not determine the dispute.

21. Determination of dispute by Management committee

- (1) At the Management Committee meeting at which a dispute is to be considered and determined, the committee must —
 - (a) give each party to the dispute, or the party's representative, a reasonable opportunity to make written or oral (or both written and oral) submissions to the committee about the dispute; and
 - (b) give due consideration to any submissions so made; and
 - (c) determine the dispute.
- (2) The Management Committee must give each party to the dispute written notice of the committee's determination, and the reasons for the determination, within 7 days after the committee meeting at which the determination is made.
- (3) A party to the dispute may, within 14 days after receiving notice of the Management Committee's determination under sub-rule (1)(c), give written notice to the secretary requesting the appointment of a mediator under rule 23.
- (4) If notice is given under sub-rule (3), each party to the dispute is a party to the mediation.

Division 4 - Mediation

22. Application of Division

- (1) This Division applies if written notice has been given to the secretary requesting the appointment of a mediator —
 - (a) by a member under rule 15(7); or
 - (b) by a party to a dispute under rule 20(5)(b)(ii) or 21(3).
- (2) If this Division applies, a mediator must be chosen or appointed under rule 23.

23. Appointment of mediator

- (1) The mediator must be a person chosen —
 - (a) if the appointment of a mediator was requested by a member under rule 15(7) — by agreement between the Member and the committee; or
 - (b) if the appointment of a mediator was requested by a party to a dispute under rule 20(5)(b)(ii) or 21(3) — by agreement between the parties to the dispute.

- (2) If there is no agreement for the purposes of sub-rule (1)(a) or (b), then, subject to sub-rules (3) and (4), the committee must appoint the mediator.
- (3) The person appointed as mediator by the committee must be a person who acts as a mediator for another not-for-profit body, such as a community legal centre, if the appointment of a mediator was requested by —
 - (a) a member under rule 15(7); or
 - (b) a party to a dispute under rule 20(5)(b)(ii); or
 - (c) a party to a dispute under rule 21(3) and the dispute is between one or more members and the Association.
- (4) The person appointed as mediator by the Management Committee may be a member or former member of the Association but must not —
 - (a) have a personal interest in the matter that is the subject of the mediation; or
 - (b) be biased in favour of or against any party to the mediation.

24. Mediation process

- (1) The parties to the mediation must attempt in good faith to settle the matter that is the subject of the mediation.
- (2) Each party to the mediation must give the mediator a written statement of the issues that need to be considered at the mediation at least 5 days before the mediation takes place.
- (3) In conducting the mediation, the mediator must —
 - (a) give each party to the mediation every opportunity to be heard; and
 - (b) allow each party to the mediation to give due consideration to any written statement given by another party; and
 - (c) ensure that natural justice is given to the parties to the mediation throughout the mediation process.
- (4) The mediator cannot determine the matter that is the subject of the mediation.
- (5) The mediation must be confidential, and any information given at the mediation cannot be used in any other proceedings that take place in relation to the matter that is the subject of the mediation.
- (6) The costs of the mediation are to be paid by the party or parties to the mediation that requested the appointment of the mediator.

25. If mediation results in decision to suspend or expel being revoked

If —

- (a) mediation takes place because a member whose membership is suspended or who is expelled from the Association gives notice under rule 15(7); and
- (b) as the result of the mediation, the decision to suspend the member's membership or expel the member is revoked,

that revocation does not affect the validity of any decision made at a Management Committee meeting or general meeting during the period of suspension or expulsion.

PART 5 — MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Division 1 — Powers of the Management Committee

26. Management Committee

- (1) The committee members are the persons who, as the Management Committee of the Association, have the power to manage the affairs of the Association.
- (2) Subject to the Act, these rules, the by-laws (if any) and any resolution passed at a general meeting, the Management Committee has power to do all things necessary or convenient to be done for the proper management of the affairs of the Association.

- (3) The Management Committee must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the Association complies with the Act, these rules and the by-laws (if any).

Division 2 — Composition of Management Committee and duties of members

27. Management Committee members

- (1) The committee members consist of —
- (a) the office holders of the Association; and
 - (b) not less than four (4) and no more than six (6) ordinary committee members
- (2) The following are the office holders of the Association —
- (a) the chairperson;
 - (b) the deputy chairperson;
 - (c) the secretary;
 - (d) the treasurer.
- (3) A person may be a committee member if the person is —
- (a) an individual who has reached 18 years of age; and
 - (b) an ordinary member.
- (4) A person must not hold 2 or more of the offices mentioned in sub-rule (3) at the same time.

28. Chairperson / Deputy Chairperson

- (1) It is the duty of the chairperson to consult with the secretary regarding the business to be conducted at each committee meeting and general meeting.
- (2) The chairperson has the powers and duties relating to convening and presiding at committee meetings and presiding at general meetings provided for in these rules.
- (3) The Deputy Chairperson performs the functions of the Chairperson when authorised to do so by the Management Committee.

29. Secretary

The Secretary has the following duties —

- (a) dealing with the Association's correspondence;
- (b) consulting with the chairperson regarding the business to be conducted at each Management Committee meeting and general meeting;
- (c) preparing the notices required for meetings and for the business to be conducted at meetings;
- (d) unless another member is authorised by the Management Committee to do so, maintaining on behalf of the Association the register of members, and recording in the register any changes in the membership, as required under section 53(1) of the Act;
- (e) maintaining on behalf of the Association an up-to-date copy of these rules, as required under section 35(1) of the Act;
- (f) unless another member is authorised by the Management Committee to do so, maintaining on behalf of the Association a record of committee members and other persons authorised to act on behalf of the Association, as required under section 58(2) of the Act;
- (g) ensuring the safe custody of the books of the Association, other than the financial records, financial statements and financial reports, as applicable to the Association;
- (h) maintaining full and accurate minutes of Management Committee meetings and general meetings;
- (i) carrying out any other duty given to the secretary under these rules or by the Management Committee.

30. Treasurer

The treasurer has the following duties —

- (a) ensuring that any amounts payable to the Association are collected and issuing receipts for those amounts in the Association's name;
- (b) ensuring that any amounts paid to the Association are credited to the appropriate account of the Association, as directed by the Management Committee;

- (c) ensuring that any payments to be made by the Association that have been authorised by the Management committee or at a general meeting are made on time;
- (d) ensuring that the Association complies with the relevant requirements of Part 5 of the Act;
- (e) ensuring the safe custody of the Association's financial records, financial statements and financial reports, as applicable to the Association;
- (f) if the Association is a tier 1 association, coordinating the preparation of the Association's financial statements before their submission to the Association's annual general meeting;
- (g) if the Association is a tier 2 association or tier 3 association, coordinating the preparation of the Association's financial report before its submission to the Association's annual general meeting;
- (h) providing any assistance required by an auditor or reviewer conducting an audit or review of the Association's financial statements or financial report under Part 5 Division 5 of the Act;
- (i) carrying out any other duty given to the treasurer under these rules or by the Management committee.

Division 3 — Election of committee members and tenure of office

31. How members become Committee members

A member becomes a Management Committee member if the member —

- (a) is elected to the committee at a general meeting; or
- (b) is appointed to the Management Committee by the committee to fill a casual vacancy under rule 38.

32. Nomination of committee members

- (1) At least 28 days before an annual general meeting, the Secretary must send written notice to all the members —
 - (a) calling for nominations for election to the committee; and
 - (b) stating the date by which nominations must be received by the secretary to comply with sub-rule (2).
- (2) A member who wishes to be considered for election to the committee at the annual general meeting must nominate for election by sending written notice of the nomination to the secretary at least 14 days before the annual general meeting.
- (3) The written notice must include a statement by another member in support of the nomination.
- (4) A member may nominate for one specified position of office holder of the Association or to be an ordinary committee member.

33. Election of office holders

- (1) At the annual general meeting, the Management Committee and all other Sub-Committees shall retire and a New Management Committee and Sub-Committee(s) if any, shall be elected.
- (2) Prior to the commencement of the election of the new Committee(s), the retiring Chairperson shall call for either the Shire of Northam Representative, or an Ordinary (Financial) member to oversee the election of the new committee.
- (3) All nominees for committee positions must be a financial member at the time of the annual general meeting.
- (4) If there is no nomination for a position, the chairperson of the election may call for nominations from the ordinary members at the meeting.
- (5) If only one member has nominated for a position, the chairperson of the meeting must declare the Member elected to the position.
- (6) If more than one member has nominated for a position, the ordinary members at the meeting must vote in accordance with procedures that have been determined by the Management committee to decide who is to be elected to the position.
- (7) Each ordinary member present at the meeting must be a current financial member and may vote for one member who has nominated for the position.
- (8) A member who has nominated for the position may vote for himself or herself.

- (9) On the member's election, the new chairperson of the Association may take over as the chairperson of the meeting.

34. Election of ordinary committee members

- (1) At the annual general meeting, the Association must decide by resolution the number of ordinary committee members (if any) to hold office for the next year.
- (2) If the number of members nominating for the position of ordinary committee member is not greater than the number to be elected, the chairperson of the meeting —
- (a) must declare each of those members to be elected to the position; and
 - (b) may call for further nominations from the ordinary members at the meeting to fill any positions remaining unfilled after the elections under paragraph (a).
- (3) If —
- (a) the number of members nominating for the position of ordinary committee member is greater than the number to be elected; or
 - (b) the number of members nominating under sub-rule (2)(b) is greater than the number of positions remaining unfilled,

the ordinary members at the meeting must vote in accordance with procedures that have been determined by the committee to decide the members who are to be elected to the position of ordinary committee member.

- (4) A member who has nominated for the position of ordinary committee member may vote in accordance with that nomination.

35. Term of office

- (1) The term of office of a Management committee member begins when the member —
- (a) is elected at an annual general meeting or under sub-rule 36(3)(b); or
 - (b) is appointed to fill a casual vacancy under rule 38.
- (2) Subject to rule 37, a committee member holds office until the positions on the committee are declared vacant at the next annual general meeting.
- (3) A committee member may be re-elected for a maximum of three (3) consecutive years.

36. Resignation and removal from office, including for disciplinary action

- (1) A committee member may resign from the Management committee by written notice given to the secretary or, if the resigning member is the secretary, given to the chairperson.
- (2) The resignation takes effect —
- (a) when the notice is received by the secretary or chairperson; or
 - (b) if a later time is stated in the notice, at the later time.
- (3) At a general meeting, the Association may by resolution —
- (a) remove a committee member from office as a disciplinary action following three warnings. The three warnings being:
 - i. committee member is given a verbal warning
 - ii. committee member is given a written warning
 - iii. on the third warning, the committee member is removed from office.
 - (b) elect a member who is eligible under rule 27(4) to fill the vacant position.
- (4) A committee member who is the subject of a proposed resolution under sub-rule (3)(a) may make written representations (of a reasonable length) to the secretary or chairperson and may ask that the representations be provided to the members.
- (5) The secretary or chairperson may give a copy of the representations to each member or, if they are not so given, the committee member may require them to be read out at the general meeting at which the resolution is to be considered.

37. When membership of committee ceases

A person ceases to be a Management committee member if the person —

- (a) dies or otherwise ceases to be a member; or
- (b) resigns from the Management committee or is removed from office under rule 36; or
- (c) becomes ineligible to accept an appointment or act as a Management committee member under section 39 of the Act;
- (d) becomes permanently unable to act as a Management committee member because of a mental or physical disability; or
- (e) fails to attend 3 consecutive Management Committee meetings, of which the person has been given notice, without having notified the secretary that the person will be unable to attend.

38. Filling casual vacancies

- (1) The Management committee may appoint a member who is eligible under rule 27(4) to fill a position on the committee that —
 - (a) has become vacant under rule 37; or
 - (b) was not filled by election at the most recent annual general meeting or under rule 36(3)(b).
- (2) If the position of secretary becomes vacant, the Management committee must appoint a member who is eligible under rule 27(4) to fill the position within 14 days after the vacancy arises.
- (3) Subject to the requirement for a quorum under rule 45, the Management committee may continue to act despite any vacancy in its membership.
- (4) If there are fewer committee members than required for a quorum under rule 45, the Management committee may act only for the purpose of —
 - (a) appointing committee members under this rule; or
 - (b) convening a general meeting.

39. Validity of acts

The acts of a Management committee or sub-committee, or of a committee member or member of a sub-committee, are valid despite any defect that may afterwards be discovered in the election, appointment or qualification of a committee member or member of a subcommittee.

40. Payments to committee members

- (1) In this rule —
 - Committee member** includes a member of a sub-committee;
 - Committee meeting** includes a meeting of a sub-committee.
- (a) The property and income of the Association shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the Objects of the Association and no part of that property or income may be paid or otherwise distributed, directly or indirectly, to members or Management Committee members, except in good faith in the promotion of those Objects and agreed to by the Management Committee.

Division 4 — Management Committee meetings

41. Management Committee meetings

- (1) The Management committee must meet at least 10 times in each year on the dates and at the times and places determined by the committee.
- (2) The date, time and place of the first Management committee meeting must be determined by the committee members as soon as practicable after the annual general meeting at which the committee members are elected.
- (3) Special Management committee meetings may be convened by the chairperson or any 3 committee members.

42. Notice of Management Committee meetings

- (1) Notice of each Management committee meeting must be given to each committee member at least 48 hours before the time of the meeting.
- (2) The notice must state the date, time and place of the meeting and must describe the general nature of the business to be conducted at the meeting.
- (3) Unless sub-rule (4) applies, the only business that may be conducted at the meeting is the business described in the notice.
- (4) Urgent business that has not been described in the notice may be conducted at the meeting if the committee members at the meeting unanimously agree to treat that business as urgent.

43. Procedure and order of business

- (1) The chairperson or, in the chairperson's absence, the deputy-chairperson must preside as chairperson of each Management committee meeting.
- (2) If the chairperson and deputy chairperson are absent or are unwilling to act as chairperson of a meeting, the committee members at the meeting must choose one of them to act as chairperson of the meeting.
- (3) The procedure to be followed at a Management committee meeting must be determined from time to time by the committee.
- (4) The order of business at a Management committee meeting may be determined by the committee members at the meeting.
- (5) A member or other person who is not a Management committee member may attend a Management committee meeting if invited to do so by a committee member **having first advised the Secretary in writing**.
- (6) A person invited under sub-rule (5) to attend a Management committee meeting —
 - (a) has no right to any agenda, minutes or other document circulated at the meeting; and
 - (b) must not comment about any matter discussed at the meeting unless invited by the committee to do so; and
 - (c) cannot vote on any matter that is to be decided at the meeting.

44. Use of technology to be present at Management committee meetings

- (1) The presence of a committee member at a Management committee meeting need not be by attendance in person but may be by that committee member and each other committee member at the meeting being simultaneously in contact by telephone or other means of instantaneous communication.
- (2) A member who participates in a Management committee meeting as allowed under sub-rule (1) is taken to be present at the meeting and, if the member votes at the meeting, the member is taken to have voted in person.

45. Quorum for Management committee meetings

- (1) Subject to rule 38(4), no business is to be conducted at a Management committee meeting unless a quorum is present.
- (2) If a quorum is not present within 30 minutes after the notified commencement time of a Management committee meeting —
 - (a) in the case of a special meeting — the meeting lapses; or
 - (b) otherwise, the meeting is adjourned to the same time, day and place in the following week.
- (3) If —
 - (a) a quorum is not present within 30 minutes after the commencement time of a Management committee meeting held under sub-rule (2)(b) the meeting is adjourned to an agreed time, day & place within 30 days.

46. Voting at committee meetings

- (1) Each committee member present at a Management committee meeting has one vote on any question arising at the meeting.

- (2) A motion is carried if a majority of the committee members present at the Management committee meeting vote in favour of the motion.
- (3) If the votes are divided equally on a question, the chairperson of the meeting has a second or casting vote.
- (4) A vote may take place by the committee members present indicating their agreement or disagreement or by a show of hands, unless the committee decides that a secret ballot is needed to determine a particular question.
- (5) If a secret ballot is needed, the chairperson of the meeting must decide how the ballot is to be conducted.
- (6) If a decision has been made at a Management Committee meeting or a sub-committee meeting then any motion to revoke or change the decision must be supported by at least 1/3 of the number (whether vacant or not) of members of the Management Committee or sub-committee.
- (7) Any Notice of a motion to revoke or change a decision referred to in sub-rule (6) is to be submitted to the Chairperson by the Mover within 48hrs of the meeting
- (8) No Management committee member, or sub-committee member, shall act on any decision of the Committee, or sub-committee until the Management Committee has made a decision on the revocation.

47. Minutes of Management committee meetings

- (1) The committee must ensure that minutes are taken and kept of each Management committee meeting.
- (2) The minutes must record the following —
 - (a) the names of the committee members present at the meeting;
 - (b) the name of any person attending the meeting under rule 43(5);
 - (c) the business considered at the meeting;
 - (d) any motion on which a vote is taken at the meeting and the result of the vote.
- (3) The minutes of a Management committee meeting must be entered in the Association's minute book or similar means of keeping a record (eg: dedicated thumb drive) within 30 days after the meeting is held.
- (4) The chairperson must ensure that the minutes of a Management committee meeting are reviewed and signed as correct by —
 - (a) the chairperson of the meeting; or
 - (b) the chairperson of the next committee meeting.
- (5) When the minutes of a Management committee meeting have been signed as correct they are, until the contrary is proved, evidence that —
 - (a) the meeting to which the minutes relate was duly convened and held; and
 - (b) the matters recorded as having taken place at the meeting took place as recorded; and
 - (c) any appointment purportedly made at the meeting was validly made.

Division 5 — Sub-committees and Subsidiary Offices

48. Sub-committees and Subsidiary Offices

- (1) To help the Management committee in the conduct of the Association's business, the committee may, in writing, do either or both of the following —
 - (a) appoint one or more subcommittees;
 - (b) create one or more subsidiary offices and appoint people to those offices.
- (2) A sub-committee may consist of the number of people, whether or not members, that the committee considers appropriate.
- (3) A person may be appointed to a subsidiary office whether or not the person is a member.
- (4) Subject to any directions given by the Management committee —
 - (a) a sub-committee may meet and conduct business as it considers appropriate; and

- (b) the holder of a subsidiary office may carry out the functions given to the holder as the holder considers appropriate.

49. Delegation to sub-committees and holders of subsidiary offices

- (1) In this rule —
Non-delegable duty means a duty imposed on the Management Committee by the Act or another written law.
- (2) The Management Committee may, in writing, delegate to a sub-committee or the holder of a subsidiary office the exercise of any power or the performance of any duty of the committee other than —
 - (a) the power to delegate; and
 - (b) a non-delegable duty.
- (3) A power or duty, the exercise or performance of which has been delegated to a sub-committee or the holder of a subsidiary office under this rule, may be exercised or performed by the sub-committee or holder in accordance with the terms of the delegation.
- (4) The delegation may be made subject to any conditions, qualifications, limitations or exceptions that the Management Committee specifies in the document by which the delegation is made.
- (5) The delegation does not prevent the Management Committee from exercising or performing at any time the power or duty delegated.
- (6) Any act or thing done by a sub-committee or by the holder of a subsidiary office, under the delegation has the same force and effect as if it had been done by the Management Committee.
- (7) The Management Committee may, in writing, amend or revoke the delegation.

PART 6 — GENERAL MEETINGS OF ASSOCIATION

50. Annual general meeting

- (1) The Management Committee must determine the date, time and place of the annual general meeting.
- (2) If it is proposed to hold the annual general meeting more than 6 months after the end of the Association's financial year, the secretary must apply to the Commissioner for permission under section 50(3)(b) of the Act within 4 months after the end of the financial year.
- (3) The ordinary business of the annual general meeting is as follows —
 - (a) to confirm the minutes of the previous annual general meeting and of any special general meeting held since then if the minutes of that meeting have not yet been confirmed;
 - (b) to receive and consider —
 - (i) the Management Committee's annual report on the Association's activities during the preceding financial year; and
 - (ii) if the Association is a tier 1 association, the financial statements of the Association for the preceding financial year presented under Part 5 of the Act; and
 - (iii) if the Association is a tier 2 association or a tier 3 association, the financial report of the Association for the preceding financial year presented under Part 5 of the Act;
 - (iv) if required to be presented for consideration under Part 5 of the Act, a copy of the report of the review or auditor's report on the financial statements or financial report;
 - (c) to elect the office holders of the Association and other committee members;
 - (d) if applicable, to appoint or remove a reviewer or auditor of the Association in accordance with the Act;
 - (e) to confirm or vary the entrance fees, subscriptions and other amounts (if any) to be paid by members.
 - (f) Any other business of which notice has been given in accordance with these rules may be conducted at the annual general meeting

51. . Special general meetings

- (1) The Management Committee may convene a special general meeting.
- (2) The Management Committee must convene a special general meeting if at least 20% of the members require a special general meeting to be convened.

- (3) The members requiring a special general meeting to be convened must —
 - (a) make the requirement by written notice given to the secretary; and
 - (b) state in the notice the business to be considered at the meeting; and
 - (c) each sign the notice.
- (4) The special general meeting must be convened within 28 days after notice is given under sub-rule (3)(a).
- (5) If the Management Committee does not convene a special general meeting within that 28 day period, the members making the requirement (or any of them) may convene the special general meeting.
- (6) A special general meeting convened by members under sub-rule (5) —
 - (a) must be held within 3 months after the date the original requirement was made; and
 - (b) may only consider the business stated in the notice by which the requirement was made.
- (7) The Association must reimburse any reasonable expenses incurred by the members convening a special general meeting under sub-rule (5).

52. Notice of general meetings

- (1) The secretary or, in the case of a special general meeting convened under rule 51(5), the members convening the meeting, must give to each member —
 - (a) at least 21 days' notice of a general meeting if a special resolution is to be proposed at the meeting; or
 - (b) at least 14 days' notice of a general meeting in any other case.
- (2) The notice must —
 - (a) specify the date, time and place of the meeting; and
 - (b) indicate the general nature of each item of business to be considered at the meeting; and
 - (c) if the meeting is the annual general meeting, include the names of the members who have nominated for election to the committee under rule 32(2); and
 - (d) if a special resolution is proposed —
 - (i) set out the wording of the proposed resolution as required by section 51(4) of the Act; and
 - (ii) state that the resolution is intended to be proposed as a special resolution; and
 - (iii) comply with rule 53(7).

53. Proxies

- (1) Subject to sub-rule (2), an ordinary member may appoint an individual who is an ordinary member as his or her proxy to vote and speak on his or her behalf at a general meeting.
- (2) An ordinary member may be appointed the proxy for not more than 5 other members.
- (3) The appointment of a proxy must be in writing and signed by the member making the appointment.
- (4) The member appointing the proxy may give specific directions as to how the proxy is to vote on his or her behalf.
- (5) If no instructions are given to the proxy, the proxy may vote on behalf of the member in any matter as the proxy sees fit.
- (6) If the Management Committee has approved a form for the appointment of a proxy, the member may use that form or any other form —
 - (a) that clearly identifies the person appointed as the member's proxy; and
 - (b) that has been signed by the member.
- (7) Notice of a general meeting given to an ordinary member under rule 52 must —
 - (a) state that the member may appoint an individual who is an ordinary member as a proxy for the meeting; and
 - (b) include a copy of any form that the Management Committee has approved for the appointment of a proxy.
- (8) A form appointing a proxy must be given to the secretary before the commencement of the general meeting for which the proxy is appointed.
- (9) A form appointing a proxy sent by post or electronically is of no effect unless it is received by the Association not later than 24 hours before the commencement of the meeting.

54. Use of technology to be present at general meetings

- (1) The presence of a member at a general meeting need not be by attendance in person but may be by that member and each other member at the meeting being simultaneously in contact by telephone or other means of instantaneous communication.
- (2) A member who participates in a general meeting as allowed under sub-rule (1) is taken to be present at the meeting and, if the member votes at the meeting, the member is taken to have voted in person.
- (3) The Secretary, or committee member responsible for recording the Minutes of the meeting may choose to use a recording device to record the proceedings. Permission to record must first be sought from a majority present.

55. Presiding member and quorum for general meetings

- (1) The chairperson or, in the chairperson's absence, the deputy chairperson must preside as chairperson of each general meeting.
- (2) If the chairperson and deputy chairperson are absent or are unwilling to act as chairperson of a general meeting, the Management Committee members at the meeting must choose one of them to act as chairperson of the meeting.
- (3) No business is to be conducted at a general meeting unless a quorum is present.
- (4) If a quorum is not present within 30 minutes after the notified commencement time of a general meeting —
 - (a) in the case of a special general meeting — the meeting lapses; or
 - (b) in the case of the annual general meeting — the meeting is adjourned to —
 - (i) the same time and day in the following week; and
 - (ii) the same place, unless the chairperson specifies another place at the time of the adjournment or written notice of another place is given to the members before the day to which the meeting is adjourned.
- (5) If —
 - (b) a quorum is not present within 30 minutes after the commencement time of a committee meeting held under sub-rule (4)(b) the meeting is adjourned to an agreed time, day & place within 30 days.

56. Adjournment of general meeting

- (1) The chairperson of a general meeting at which a quorum is present may, with the consent of a majority of the ordinary members present at the meeting, adjourn the meeting to another time at the same place or at another place.
- (2) Without limiting sub-rule (1), a meeting may be adjourned —
 - (a) if there is insufficient time to deal with the business at hand; or
 - (b) to give the members more time to consider an item of business.
- (3) No business may be conducted on the resumption of an adjourned meeting other than the business that remained unfinished when the meeting was adjourned.
- (4) Notice of the adjournment of a meeting under this rule is not required unless the meeting is adjourned for 14 days or more, in which case notice of the meeting must be given in accordance with rule 52.

57. Voting at general meeting

- (1) On any question arising at a general meeting —
 - (a) subject to sub-rule (6), each ordinary member has one vote unless the member may also vote on behalf of a body corporate under sub-rule (2); and
 - (b) ordinary members may vote personally or by proxy.
- (2) An ordinary member that is a body corporate may, in writing, appoint an individual, whether or not the individual is a member, to vote on behalf of the body corporate on any question at a particular general meeting or at any general meeting, as specified in the document by which the appointment is made.

- (3) A copy of the document by which the appointment is made must be given to the secretary before any general meeting to which the appointment applies.
- (4) The appointment has effect until —
 - (a) the end of any general meeting to which the appointment applies; or
 - (b) the appointment is revoked by the body corporate and written notice of the revocation is given to the secretary.
- (5) Except in the case of a special resolution, a motion is carried if a majority of the ordinary members present at a general meeting vote in favour of the motion.
- (6) If votes are divided equally on a question, the chairperson of the meeting has a second or casting vote.
- (7) If the question is whether or not to confirm the minutes of a previous general meeting, only members who were present at that meeting may vote.
- (8) For a person to be eligible to vote at a general meeting as an ordinary member, or on behalf of an ordinary member that is a body corporate under sub-rule (2), the ordinary member —
 - (a) must have been an ordinary member at the time notice of the meeting was given under rule 52; and
 - (b) must have paid any fee or other money payable to the Association by the member.

58. When special resolutions are required

- (1) A special resolution is required if it is proposed at a general meeting —
 - (a) to affiliate the Association with another body; or
 - (b) to request the Commissioner to apply to the State Administrative Tribunal under section 109 of the Act for the appointment of a statutory manager.
- (2) Sub-rule (1) does not limit the matters in relation to which a special resolution may be proposed.

59. Determining whether resolution carried

- (1) In this rule —
Poll means the process of voting in relation to a matter that is conducted in writing.
- (2) Subject to sub-rule (4), the chairperson of a general meeting may, on the basis of general agreement or disagreement or by a show of hands, declare that a resolution has been —
 - (a) carried; or
 - (b) carried unanimously; or
 - (c) carried by a particular majority; or
 - (d) lost.
- (3) If the resolution is a special resolution, the declaration under sub-rule (2) must identify the resolution as a special resolution.
- (4) If a poll is demanded on any question by the chairperson of the meeting or by at least 3 other ordinary members present in person or by proxy —
 - (a) the poll must be taken at the meeting in the manner determined by the chairperson;
 - (b) the chairperson must declare the determination of the resolution on the basis of the poll.
- (5) If a poll is demanded on the election of the chairperson or on a question of an adjournment, the poll must be taken immediately.
- (6) If a poll is demanded on any other question, the poll must be taken before the close of the meeting at a time determined by the chairperson.
- (7) A declaration under sub-rule (2) or (4) must be entered in the minutes of the meeting, and the entry is, without proof of the voting in relation to the resolution, evidence of how the resolution was determined.

60. Minutes of general meeting

- (1) The secretary, or a person authorised by the Management Committee from time to time, must take and keep minutes of each general meeting.

- (2) The minutes must record the business considered at the meeting, any resolution on which a vote is taken and the result of the vote.
- (3) In addition, the minutes of each annual general meeting must record —
 - (a) the names of the ordinary members attending the meeting; and
 - (b) any proxy forms given to the chairperson of the meeting under rule 53(8); and
 - (c) the financial statements or financial report presented at the meeting, as referred to in rule 50(3)(b)(ii) or (iii); and
 - (d) any report of the review or auditor's report on the financial statements or financial report presented at the meeting, as referred to in rule 50(3)(b)(iv).
- (4) The minutes of a general meeting must be entered in the Association's minute book within 30 days after the meeting is held.
- (5) The chairperson must ensure that the minutes of a general meeting are reviewed and signed as correct by —
 - (a) the chairperson of the meeting; or
 - (b) the chairperson of the next general meeting.
- (6) When the minutes of a general meeting have been signed as correct they are, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, taken to be proof that —
 - (a) the meeting to which the minutes relate was duly convened and held; and
 - (b) the matters recorded as having taken place at the meeting took place as recorded; and
 any election or appointment purportedly made at the meeting was validly made.

PART 7 — FINANCIAL MATTERS

61. Source of funds

The funds of the Association may be derived from entrance fees, annual subscriptions, donations, fund-raising activities, grants, interest and any other sources approved by the Management Committee.

62. Control of funds

- (1) The Association must open an account in the name of the Association with a financial institution from which all expenditure of the Association is made and into which all funds received by the Association are deposited.
- (2) Subject to any restrictions imposed at a general meeting, the Management Committee may approve expenditure on behalf of the Association.
- (3) The Management Committee may authorise the treasurer to expend funds on behalf of the Association up to a specified limit without requiring approval from the Management Committee for each item on which the funds are expended.
- (4) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments of the Association must be signed by —
 - (a) 2 committee members being Treasurer plus Chairperson and/or Secretary; or
 - (b) Treasurer and a person authorised by the committee.
- (5) All funds of the Association must be deposited into the Association's account as soon as possible, or within 5 working days, after their receipt.

63. Financial statements and financial reports

- (1) For each financial year, the Management Committee must ensure that the requirements imposed on the Association under Part 5 of the Act relating to the financial statements or financial report of the Association are met.
- (2) Without limiting sub-rule (1), those requirements include —
 - (a) if the Association is a tier 1 association, the preparation of the financial statements; and
 - (b) if the Association is a tier 2 association or tier 3 association, the preparation of the financial report; and

- (c) if required, the review or auditing of the financial statements or financial report, as applicable; and
- (d) the presentation to the annual general meeting of the financial statements or financial report, as applicable; and
- (e) if required, the presentation to the annual general meeting of the copy of the report of the review or auditor's report, as applicable, on the financial statements or financial report.

PART 8 — GENERAL MATTERS

64. By-laws

- (1) The Association may, by resolution at a general meeting, make, amend or revoke by-laws.
- (2) By-laws may —
 - (a) provide for the rights and obligations that apply to any classes of associate membership approved under rule 8(2); and
 - (b) impose restrictions on the Management Committee's powers, including the power to dispose of the association's assets; and
 - (c) impose requirements relating to the financial reporting and financial accountability of the association and the auditing of the association's accounts; and
 - (d) provide for any other matter the Association considers necessary or convenient to be dealt with in the by-laws.
- (3) A by-law is of no effect to the extent that it is inconsistent with the Act, the regulations or these rules.
- (4) Without limiting sub-rule (3), a by-law made for the purposes of sub-rule (2)(c) may only impose requirements on the Association that are additional to, and do not restrict, a requirement imposed on the Association under Part 5 of the Act.
- (5) At the request of a member, the Association must make a copy of the by-laws available for inspection by the member.

65. Executing documents and common seal

- (1) The Association may execute a document without using a common seal if the document is signed by —
 - (a) 2 committee members being the Chairperson and Secretary; or
 - (b) The Chairperson and a person authorised by the committee.
- (2) If the Association has a common seal —
 - (a) the name of the Association must appear in legible characters on the common seal; and
 - (b) a document may only be sealed with the common seal by the authority of the Management Committee and in the presence of —
 - (i) 2 committee members being the Chairperson and the Secretary; or
 - (ii) The Chairperson and a person authorised by the committee,
 and each of them is to sign the document to attest that the document was sealed in their presence.
- (3) The secretary must make a written record of each use of the common seal.
- (4) The common seal must be kept in the custody of the secretary or another committee member authorised by the Management Committee.

66. Giving notices to members

- (1) In this rule —
Recorded means recorded in the register of members.
- (2) A notice or other document that is to be given to a member under these rules is taken not to have been given to the member unless it is in writing and —
 - (a) delivered by hand to the recorded address of the member; or
 - (b) sent by prepaid post to the recorded postal address of the member; or
 - (c) sent by facsimile or electronic transmission to an appropriate recorded number or recorded electronic address of the member.

67. Custody of books and securities

- (1) Subject to sub-rule (2), the books and any securities of the Association must be kept in the secretary's custody or under the secretary's control.
- (2) The financial records and, as applicable, the financial statements or financial reports of the Association must be kept in the treasurer's custody or under the treasurer's control.
- (3) Sub-rules (1) and (2) have effect except as otherwise decided by the Management Committee.
- (4) The books of the Association must be retained for at least 7 years.

68. Record of office holders

The record of Management Committee members and other persons authorised to act on behalf of the Association that is required to be maintained under section 58(2) of the Act must be kept in the secretary's custody or under the secretary's control.

69. Inspection of records and documents

- (1) Sub-rule (2) applies to a member who wants to inspect —
 - (a) the Register of Members under section 54(1) of the Act; or
 - (b) the record of the names and addresses of committee members, and other persons authorised to act on behalf of the Association, under section 58(3) of the Act; or
 - (c) any other record or document of the association.
- (2) The member must contact the secretary in writing and state their reasons for the inspection in a Statutory Declaration.
- (3) The inspection must be free of charge.
- (4) If the member wants to inspect a document that records the minutes of a Management Committee meeting, the right to inspect that document is subject to any decision the Management Committee has made about minutes of committee meetings generally, or the minutes of a specific committee meeting, being available for inspection by members.
- (5) The member may view a record or document referred to in sub-rule (1) but does not have a right to remove the record or document for that purpose.
- (6) The member must not use or disclose information in a record or document referred to in sub-rule (1) except for a purpose —
 - (i) that is directly connected with the affairs of the Association and with the prior approval of the Management Committee; or
 - (ii) that is related to complying with a requirement of the Act.

70. Publication by committee members of statements about Association business prohibited

A Management committee member must not publish, or cause to be published, any statement about the business conducted by the Association at a general meeting or Management Committee meeting unless —

- (a) the committee member has been authorised to do so at a Management Committee meeting; and
- (b) the authority given to the committee member has been recorded in the minutes of the Management Committee meeting at which it was given.

71. Distribution of surplus property on cancellation of incorporation or winding up

- (1) In this rule —

Surplus property, in relation to the Association, means property and cash remaining after satisfaction of —

- (a) the debts and liabilities of the Association; and

(b) the costs, charges and expenses of winding up or cancelling the incorporation of the Association, but does not include books relating to the management of the Association.

- (2) On the cancellation of the incorporation or the winding up of the Association, its surplus property must be distributed as determined by special resolution by reference to the persons mentioned in section 24(1) of the Act
- (3) the Association may be dissolved or wound up at any time provided it has the consent of 75% majority of those present and entitled to vote at a Special General Meeting called for such purpose
- (4) Any Special General Meeting called for the purpose of dissolution or winding up shall require 30 days notice. Such notice shall include the reasons for such proposed action.
- (5) If, upon dissolution or winding up of the Association, there be remaining after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property and/or cash whatsoever the same shall not be paid to or distributed amongst the members or previous members of the Association but shall be given to or transferred to some other organisation or organisations incorporated under the current Act having similar objects to the objects of the Association and whose Rules shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income amongst its or their members.
- (6) Upon dissolution or winding up of the Association notice shall be forwarded to the Shire of Northam of vacating of the land and buildings occupied by the Association.
- (7) Also upon dissolution or winding up of the Association notice to that effect shall be forwarded to the Commissioner.

72. Alteration of rules

If the Association wants to alter or rescind any of these rules, or to make additional rules, the Association may do so only by special resolution and by otherwise complying with Part 3 Division 2 of the Act.