

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS FAQs

Can you summarise the changes the Board is suggesting should be made to the constitution?

- The Board has considered Trustee term lengths for both Elected and Co-opted Trustees.
- The Board is suggesting that Trustee length of office terms and maximum number of terms should be lengthened and should be the same for Elected and Co-opted Trustees: three-year terms subject to a maximum of three terms (nine years in total).
- After the end of the nine years, Trustees will not be eligible for reappointment. This follows the good governance principle in the [Charity Governance Code](#) that trustees should typically not serve more than a nine-year term.
- The Trustees also propose introducing some flexibility so that a Trustee may leave the board for a period of time (for example, if sickness prevents them from serving as a trustee) and still be reappointed on the date they would have been eligible for reappointment. This would still be treated as a consecutive term of office.
- The Board also suggests removing the role of chair-elect and instead proposes that where the Chair reaches the end of their final term of office, the new Chair immediately takes office.

Why are the changes being voted on as five separate resolutions rather than all together?

- If the Association members reject one or more of the resolutions at the AGM, this approach would still allow the other resolutions to be passed.