

GRAFTON UNITED CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED CONSTITUTION – SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 22 JULY 2025



BACKGROUND:

- Changes to the GUCC's constitution (rules) are required to comply with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.
- Societies are required to re-register before 5 April 2026.
- Re-registration requires filing a constitution that is compliant with the new Act.
- Changes to GUCC's constitution are made through a resolution of members at a General Meeting.
- This document is a summary of the key proposed changes.
- A full copy of the rules/constitution and tracked changes is available to members on request.
- Changes have been informed by Sport NZ and New Zealand Cricket (NZC) guidance and templates. More: [Refer to Sport NZ resources.](#)

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

EXISTING	PROPOSED	COMMENTARY
Document referred to as the 'Rules'	Document referred to as the 'Constitution'	Under the 2022 Act, the Rules are now referred to as a Constitution. This has been amended throughout.
<i>Addition</i>	4. 'Contact person' section added.	Under the 2022 Act, the Board must appoint a contact person.
<i>Additions to Membership qualification and appointment</i>	5.2 various. 'A person consents to becoming a [member type] by submitting an application.'	Under the 2022 Act, there is a requirement that a person must consent to being a member. The NZC template example has been followed by stating that consent is given when submitting an application.
<i>Addition</i>	5.4. 'Member register' section added.	Under the 2022 Act and 2023 Regulations, the society's register of members must be kept up-to-date.
<i>Additions to Annual General Meeting</i>	6.1. Additions to the business of the AGM including giving notice of disclosure of conflicts of interest. 6.1(d) Addition of 10 days' notice prior to AGM of any proposed motions 6.1(e) Additional of 10 days' notice prior to AGM for the agenda to be sent to all persons entitled to attend the AGM.	Ensures the correct information is presented at the AGM. Under the 2022 Act, there is a requirement for the time within which, and manner within which, notice of motion must be notified to Members. There is also a requirement for the agenda of the AGM to be sent out prior to the AGM.
<i>Addition to Manner of Holding Meetings</i>	6.3(e) Addition of a requirement to keep minutes at General Meetings	Under the 2022 Act, there is a requirement to state when minutes are to be kept.

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<i>Addition to grounds for removal of Officers</i>	7.2. Addition of a reference to disqualification under section 47 of the Act	This change has been made to ensure consistency with the 2022 Act and with section 47, which sets out a variety of reasons for disqualification of an officer (convictions etc.).
7.3 Officer nominations made by either (a) in writing or (b) verbally by two members	7.3. Officer nominations made in writing by 2 members at least 5 days' before the AGM	Additional change (not related to 2022 Act) to align with accepted practice. Ensures Officers and Members have opportunity receive nomination information prior to the AGM.
Accounts shall be audited by an auditor	10.3 and various. Update to provide for accounts be audited by an auditor or reviewed by a qualified reviewer	Additional change (not related to 2022 Act) to align with accepted practice. A full audit is no longer required to meet Auckland Cricket Association requirements. A review by a qualified reviewer shall be undertaken.
Seal (Clause 12)	12. <i>Seal requirement removed</i>	Under the 2022 Act, a Seal is no longer mandatory.
<i>Addition</i>	13. Addition of Dispute Resolution Clause	It is a requirement under the 2022 Act for there to be a dispute resolution procedure in the Constitution. This has been adopted from a Sport NZ template.
"Winding up" Clause	15. Deletion of "Winding Up" clause and replacing with "Liquidation and Removal" clause	Wording changed to be consistent with 2022 and to also incorporating the new requirement under the 2022 Act for the surplus assets of a club to be distributed to one or more not-for-profit entities. Auckland Cricket Association has been nominated as an organization that shares a similar purpose to the Club.
Definitions - amendments	17. Various definitions have been removed or amended	Amendments or removals made to reflect the other changes made to the document.