



## AUCKLAND JUSTICES OF THE PEACE ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

Established 1922

### NOTICES OF MOTION FOR AGM – 30 SEPTEMBER 2018

The Council has received four Notices of Motions for consideration at the Associations Annual General Meeting on Sunday 30 September 2018. The Council has grouped them into two types of notices:

1. Motion to change the rules of the AJPA – 2 motions (1a and 1b)
2. Motion to raise an issue to be dealt with by the AJPA – 2 motions (2a and 2b)

#### **Motion to change the rules of the AJPA:**

##### **# 1a: Status of Auckland Regional Representative on Council**

**Proposer:** Susan Walker

**That the following changes be made to the Rules to create the Auckland Regional Representative an ex-officio member of Council.**

- 1. Delete clause 5.2.3 and renumber clauses.**
- 2. Add clause 5.3.1 (c) Auckland Regional Representative.**
- 3 Add to 5.3.2 Auckland Regional Representative's term of office as in 5.2.2 (c).**

A copy of how the rules would now read is attached as Appendix One.

Background: This Rule change makes clear the primary responsibility of the Auckland Regional Representative is to represent the interests and views of the Auckland Association. Membership of Council allows for fully-informed participation in Auckland Council activities, and therefore better representation.

##### **#1b: Changes to the Order of Business at the AGM.**

**Proposer:** Wallis Walker

**That rule 4.1.5 be amended to read;**

- (a) Apologies**
- (b) Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting and of any Special General Meeting(s)**
- (c) President's Report**
- (d) Financial Report and Annual Financial Statements**
- (e) Setting of subscriptions**
- (f) Appointment of Patron and Vice Patrons**
- (g) Election of the Association's nominee as Auckland Regional Representative on the Board of the Royal Federation of New Zealand Justices Associations inc (the "Federation")**
- (h) Election of President, Vice President and Members of Council**
- (i) Appointment of auditor or reviewer**
- (j) Appointment of legal representative**
- (k) Recommendations from Council for Life Membership**
- (l) Recommendations from Council for Honorary Membership**
- (m) Notice(s) of motion to change the rules**
- (n) Any General Business"**

Background: This amendment means motions to amend the rules will come after the key business of the AGM is completed. It also clarifies motions to change the rules as separate from motions for General Business. Now that changes to our rules take effect after they are registered by the Registrar of Incorporated Societies they do not come into immediate effect during AGM and have an effect on decisions at that AGM.

## Motion to raise an issue to be dealt with by the AJPA:

### # 2a: Collection of Statistical Data

**Proposer:** Whau Support Group

**That the AJPA requires Ministerial Justices to submit annual returns on their activity during the preceding 12 months, including: Number of copies certified, Number of Statutory Declarations taken, Number of signatures witnessed, Number of affidavits taken, hours worked at service desks and the service desk locations.**

Background: To ensure that AJPA members are willing and able to carry out the duties for which they are appointed, to accurately monitor service desk activity, to acquaint MPs with issues facing Auckland Justices, including the balance between active/inactive members, and to give MPs an opportunity to ensure retiring Justices are replaced.

### # 2b: Investigate Incentives to Encourage Participation

**Proposer:** Whau Support Group

**That the AJPA investigates incentives to encourage Ministerial participation, including MP involvement in encouraging Justices to remain active, local support group participation in interviewing nominated persons, scale of fees incentives, and any other initiatives considered appropriate**

Background: To ensure that Auckland Justices are active and trained, and to incentivise Justices in relation to the AJPA's expectation in terms of being able or willing to act, or to consider retirement.

**The Rules would now read:**

5.2 Auckland Regional Representative

- 5.2.1 An eligible member of the Association shall be elected annually as the Association's nominee representing it on the Board of the Federation as the Auckland Regional Representative. The Regional Representative shall report the Association's and the Council's views to the Federation and vice-versa.
- 5.2.2 The Association's nominee for Regional Representative shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- (a) The Registrar shall call for nominations at least eight (8) weeks before the Annual General Meeting.
- (b) Nominations on the prescribed form shall close at 5pm, four (4) weeks before the Annual General Meeting and shall be accompanied by a brief curriculum vitae of the candidate. Nominations must be proposed and seconded by eligible members in writing. Nominations and curriculum vitae shall be circulated with the notice of the Annual General Meeting.
- (c) The position of Auckland Regional Representative shall take effect once confirmed by election at the Annual General Meeting of the Federation that next follows.
- 5.2.3 If the Regional Representative is absent for two (2) consecutive meetings of the Council without leave of absence that person shall cease to hold office and the position shall be deemed to be vacant.
- 5.2.4 In the event that this position should become vacant during the term of office, the Council may nominate a replacement to the Board of the Federation.

5.3 Council Membership

- 5.3.1 The Council shall comprise of:
- (a) the President, Vice-President and the Immediate Past President;
- (i) the President and Vice-President shall be elected annually.
- (ii) the President's term shall not exceed three (3) consecutive years;
- (iii) the office of Immediate Past President is not an elected position but an automatic position that is held until the succeeding President ceases to hold office and becomes the next Immediate Past President.
- (b) and up to ten (10) other members:
- (i) whose term of office shall each be two (2) years;
- (ii) who are eligible for re-election but shall not serve more than three (3) consecutive terms.
- (c) the Auckland Regional Representative
- 5.3.2 The position of Auckland Regional Representative shall take effect once confirmed by election at the Annual General Meeting of the Federation that next follows. The term of office of all other members of the Council shall commence at the close of the Annual

General Meeting at which they are elected and shall terminate at the close of the Annual General Meeting relative to their position.

5.3.3 Any member absent for three (3) consecutive meetings of the Council without leave of absence shall cease to hold office and that person's position shall be declared vacant.

5.3.4 A person shall cease to be a member of the Council:

- (a) if he/she resigns from the Association; or
- (b) if he/she is no longer financial, or ceases to be a member in accordance with clause 2.5.3; or
- (c) by giving written notice to the Council.