



The Village Hall with Endless Possibilities

## **Proposal to amend the Constitution**

**Date: 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

As a result of discussions with the Trustees, I am proposing to amend the Charity's governing document – the Constitution.

### **Why:**

To provide the opportunity for Corporate Bodies who have an interest in the undertakings of the charity to be appointed as a Trustee and represented by an individual who acts on behalf of that Corporate Body.

To make the re-appointment of individuals as Trustees following end-of-term retirement slightly easier and not dependent on a unanimous vote but simply a majority vote.

To reset the date from which rotational retirement is applicable. Due to an oversight in 2025, this process did not happen when it should have done. The Trustees would like to address this at the 2026 Annual General Meeting instead.

### **What is changing:**

1. Clause 12(2)(a) under Eligibility for Trusteeship. The addition of a Corporate Body is proposed. This change is in recognition of the stakeholder interest from the Curdridge Parish Council who currently offer financial support to the Charity by means of an annual grant which is awarded subject to available funds. This appointment will allow for greater oversight of how the funds are being spent;
2. Clause 13(2) under Appointment of charity trustees: The removal of the word 'unanimous' and the addition of the words 'majority of'. This is proposed to make the reappointment of trustees after a 12-year term easier;
3. Clause 13 (2) under Appointment of charity trustees: The proposed addition of sub clause (a) to reflect the resetting of the rotational retirement clock to 2026 and every subsequent three years thereafter. This addition makes it easier to calculate when this process should be triggered and will reduce the risk of the rotational retirement clause being overlooked.

All other clauses remain unchanged

### **What happens next:**

The Trustees to review the changes at the next Trustee meeting and agree them if appropriate. The amended Constitution will then be shared with Members prior to the AGM in anticipation of a vote during the meeting.