



## Commentary on revised Articles of Association presented to Members for adoption by Special Resolution at the Annual General Meeting on 11 November 2020

### 1. Introduction

In response to the Covid-19 crisis, the Government has recommended that companies change their constitutions at this year's AGMs to make future electronic AGMs permissible 'just in case' this might be required again.

While a company does not need express permission to hold electronic meetings in its Articles and there is no express restriction in our Articles, it is considered best practice to now amend them to allow electronic meetings.

The proposed amendments to the Articles would allow Commonwealth Games England to convene virtual or electronic general meetings in future, allowing members to take part electronically if the Board decides this is appropriate.

### Proposed changes to the Articles of Association

Current structure	Recommended
Every notice calling a general meeting must state the place, date and time of the meeting.	This has now been amended (specifically in clauses 7.1 and 7.4) to include a reference to allow general meetings to take place <i>by electronic means</i> . Clauses 7.5 through to 7.9 are also new. Refer to amended Articles of Association with track changes which is available on the Team England website <a href="https://teamengland.org">https://teamengland.org</a>

If any member would like to discuss, or seek further clarification on, these proposed changes before the Annual General Meeting, they are invited to contact Chris Conway on 07490 197 865 or [c.conway@teamengland.org](mailto:c.conway@teamengland.org). This will enable the queries or requests for clarification to be dealt with as fully as possible before the Meeting itself.

Members are, of course able to ask questions or seek further clarification at the Annual General Meeting itself and are similarly invited to give notification of intent to do so to Chris.

Paul Blanchard, Chief Executive Officer  
14<sup>th</sup> October 2020