

Summary of Proposed Changes to the PNH Constitution

Rule number in proposed changes	Rule number in current Constitution	Summary of Proposed Change
1.1	1	Add - PNH is the abbreviated name
2.1	2	Update purpose to same as mission statement in Strategic plan
3.1	3	Add that annual subscription applies to calendar year (not financial year)
4.1.13	4	Definition of member - means either full member or associate member
8 & 9	8	Who is eligible to be a member? - making it clearer, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • age of full members (i.e. 15 years and over) • employees and juniors can be associate members (not eligible to vote) • persons under 15 must have a parent or guardian who is a registered full or associate member, etc.
10 & 12	10 & 11	Updating rules re processing memberships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change -voting rights suspended for 1 month after joining, (was 10 days) • Change - committee determines annual subscription (not members) • Change - date members are considered 'resigned' if not financial to end of April, i.e. 4 months (was for 1 year and that is too difficult to administer)
18	18	Register of Members Add- email address, emergency contact & indication of age (by decade)
27	29	Grievance Procedure - Change - Mediator should determine the dispute
30.1	32(1)	Number of members required to request a general meeting, changed from 10% to 5%
34	36	Quorum at general meetings - change to 20 members eligible to vote (was 10%)
36	38	Voting at general meetings - unchanged by making it clearer who is eligible to vote
42	44	Composition of Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'general committee members' may have portfolio duties as determined by the committee • Number of committee members between 5 and 10 determined by committee (not members) • Elect all committee members except Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer (appoint these to ensure adequate skills for these roles)
43-48	46-48	Committee roles - clauses added for clarity of executive roles
49-54	51-53	Clarity regarding election and appointment of committee members
60	60	Urgent committee meetings - added urgent decisions by email
61.3	65	Added conflict of interest other than material personal interest
66	69	Management of Funds - changes for clarity and integrity
70	73	Added registered address
72	75	Inspection of Records by members updated due to privacy and confidentiality (also Child Safe Policy)