

This Convention resolves that:

"Messrs Gilroy & Brookes, Chartered Accountants of Farnham, be sincerely thanked for their services to the District in the past and that they be, and the same are hereby, re-appointed as Independent Examiner to the District for the forthcoming Year."

Explanatory note:

Article IV Section 4 (a) of District 105D Constitution (as adopted March 1984 – with amendments to March 2015) reads:

"The Governor or Cabinet shall provide for an independent examination of the books, records and Financial Statements of the District covering the Year by a suitably qualified person to be appointed (or re-appointed as the case may be) by resolution at Convention each Year."

This Resolution requires a simple majority

This Convention resolves that:

"The District Per Capita Levy for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 shall be in the sum of £11.00 per Lion. This shall be payable in two equal instalments - £5.50 per Lion by 1 August 2016 based upon the known membership as at 30 June 2016 and £5.50 per Lion by 1 February 2017 based upon the known membership as at 31 December 2016"

Explanatory note:

Article IV Section 1 of District 105D Constitution (as adopted March 1984 – with amendments to March 2015) reads:

(a) (i) To provide revenue to defray administration and Convention expenses of the District, and such other matters as the Governor or Cabinet shall from time to time deem fit, a Per Capita levy for a Year shall be collected from each Club by the District Treasurer at such times and in such amounts as shall be passed by way of Resolution proposed by District Cabinet at Convention held in the previous Year.

(ii) In the event that any Resolution to determine a Per-Capita levy for a Year is not passed at Convention held in the previous Year, the amounts collectable from each Club for the Year shall remain those as determined at the most recent preceding Convention.

(b) Clubs organised or re-organised during the Year shall be liable to pay per-capita dues calculated on a pro-rata basis commencing from the first day of the month following the date of their organisation or re-organisation meeting.

(c) (i) Payment of District Dues will not be collected for members shown as dropped by the Association's Official Records within 30 days of the commencement of the billing period (30th June or 31st December, as appropriate). In the event that the Club has already paid the District dues for that half year, the Club shall be reimbursed.

(ii) Billing for District Dues for a new member will begin the first day of the month in which the member joins, as shown by the records of the Association and the Club will be liable for payment of the District Dues on a pro-rata basis at the average monthly rate, based on the agreed annual District Dues, through to the end of the billing period. These Dues shall be collected by the District Treasurer at the commencement of the next billing period (30th June or 31st December, as appropriate)

(iii) Payment of Multiple District Dues shall be as laid down by the Multiple District Constitution

(d) The District Treasurer shall be empowered to levy a supplementary charge, not exceeding Ten Pounds (£10.00), on any Per Capita Levy not settled in full by the due date.

This Resolution requires a simple majority.

Resolution No 3

Proposed by District Cabinet

This Convention resolves that:

“For the Lionistic year 2016/17 all Clubs will receive a ‘one off’ credit of £5.50 per member, based on each Club’s reported membership as of 30th June 2015.

NB. This is a credit per member and not a reduction in dues payable.”

Explanatory note:

Over the past 4 years a surplus has been accumulated within the Administration Account for District 105D and as this is monies contributed by members, District is proposing to reimburse the membership.

This Resolution requires a simple majority.

Resolution No 4

Proposed by: The Lions Club of Woolmer Forest

Seconded by: Meon Valley Lions Club

This Convention resolves that:

“Annual District membership dues should be held at or below the Consumer Price Index (CPI) as published by the Office of National Statistics (ONS) in the September prior to Convention.”

Explanatory note:

Given that Public Sector budgets and allowances are held at or below CPI, and that Private Sector companies often hold theirs at considerably less than CPI, it should be possible, in any professionally run organisation, to manage and maintain the cost of membership at a reasonable level.

This Resolution requires a simple majority.

Resolution No 5

Proposed by District Cabinet

This Convention Resolves that:

“In the event of any redistricting or restructuring within MD105 that directly affects District 105D the assets, including equipment and balances within District 105D Administration Account will be returned to the members as follows:

At the end of the financial year prior to redistricting, total funds will be calculated as at 30th June.

Total funds will be returned to each Club on a pro-rata basis based on the recorded membership as at 30th June.

Equipment and other assets of the District will be identified, stored and made available for use on request to those Clubs in District 105D as at 30th June.”

Explanatory note:

Formalisation and recording of the procedure is intended to safeguard the assets and funds which belong to the Club members of District 105D in the event of any restructuring process directly affecting District 105D.

This Resolution requires a simple majority.

Resolution No 6

Proposed by District Cabinet

This Convention resolves that:

“District 105D considers that the preferred option of the Council of Governors in respect of re-districting 105D and splitting it three ways, is not in the best interests of District 105D or MD105 and requests Council to re-assess the viability of all the other options.”

Explanatory note:

It is currently proposed by the Council of Governors that Regions 1-4 in District 105D be dispersed to 105SW and 105SE and Region 5 dispersed to the new District 105HC. Potentially a future District Governor in District DW will have to travel from Penzance to the Isle of Wight and in DE from

Woolwich to the Channel Isles whilst in HC from Reading to Clacton on Sea. There are no decent East/West or North/South road links to enable easy travel between these points and will have the effect of not only reducing the likelihood of members attending district functions, Conventions and District initiatives (which negates Lions Clubs International guidelines for redistricting) but also potentially disbarring future District Leaders from standing for office unless they are retired and have the time to make these journeys. It is not desirable to create this limitation either from the District or Multiple District point of view.

This Resolution requires a simple majority.

Resolution No7

Proposed by: Meon Valley Lions Club

Seconded by: The Lions Club of Alton

This Convention resolves that:

“The number of Registered Delegate votes assigned per Club should be directly related to the number of club members ‘in good standing’ based on the membership of that Club on the closing date for receipt of Nominations and Resolutions.”

Explanatory note:

It is submitted that the current International legislation for having to be a Lion for ‘One Year and One Day’ before being considered for inclusion as a Club Member with regard to the number of Registered Delegate votes each Club is assigned is undemocratic within MD105.

Currently a Club Member who joined (for instance) in February 2014 would not be included in the Registered Delegate ‘allowance’ until the 2016 Convention, thereby potentially disenfranchising their Club by a Delegate vote.

This Resolution will require a two-thirds majority

[Please note this Resolution is the first stage in a process to persuade the International Board to change the current rule for determining the number of Delegates for every Club. If this Resolution is successfully passed it will then be taken to the Multiple District Convention and again, if successfully passed, it will be forwarded to the Board, who will need to sanction any change in this ruling.]

Resolution No 8

Proposed by: The Lions Club of Alton

Seconded by: The Lions Club of Woolmer Forest

This Convention resolves that:

“Whilst accepting that Resolutions required by International or Multiple District Constitution are necessarily raised and submitted by District Cabinet for consideration at District Convention, Clubs should be encouraged to raise Resolutions.”

Explanatory note:

Whilst there is acceptance that there are valid reasons in passing down directives from International or Multiple District in accordance with the Constitution, it is felt that the origination of Resolutions at Club level are more meaningful and thought provoking.

It is the perception of many Lions that too many Resolutions originate from The District Cabinet. Consequently, the rationale is for Clubs to take ownership of the organisation by proposing Resolutions which will benefit Lions directly.

This Resolution requires a simple majority