



*At the Council Chamber, Whitehall*

THE 4th DAY OF AUGUST 2022

BY THE LORDS OF HER MAJESTY'S MOST HONOURABLE  
PRIVY COUNCIL

The Privy Council has approved the amendments to the Bye-Laws of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

*Ceri King*

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*SCHEDULE*

AMENDMENTS TO THE BYE-LAWS OF THE CHARTERED SOCIETY OF PHYSIOTHERAPY

1. In Bye-laws 10(3), 11(1), and 11(2) **delete** “place” and **substitute** “location (in-person and/or virtual)” wherever it occurs.
2. In Bye-law 12(1)(c) **delete** “and in default of any place being appointed by the Council for holding thereof the Special General Meeting shall be held at the Office;”.
3. In Bye-law 15:
  - (a) **Delete** paragraph (1) and **substitute**:

“(1) 50 Fellows, Members, Associates or Student Members present (which, for the avoidance of doubt, includes presence by proxy) and entitled to vote shall be a quorum for a General Meeting, and no business shall be transacted at any General Meeting unless the requisite quorum be present throughout the business. In determining quorum, it is immaterial whether any two or more members attending it are in the same place as each other. For members to be counted as present they must be able to communicate to all those attending the meeting, during the meeting, any information or opinions which that person has on the business of the meeting.”;
  - (b) In paragraph (3) **delete** “personally”.
3. **Delete** Bye-law 16 and **substitute**:

#### **“16. Voting at General Meetings**

- (1) Every question submitted to a General Meeting for a vote shall be decided by a poll of Fellows, Members, Associates and Student Members present, and in the case of a tie the Chair of the General Meeting shall, have a casting vote in addition to the vote to which they may be entitled as a Fellow, Member, Student Member or Associate.
- (2) At any General Meeting, a declaration by the Chair of the General Meeting that a resolution has been carried, or carried by a particular majority, or lost, and an entry to that effect in the book of proceedings of the Society, shall be conclusive evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against such resolution.”.

4. **Delete** Bye-law 17 and **substitute**:

#### **“17. Adjournment of General Meetings**

The Chair of a General Meeting may, with the consent of the General Meeting (and shall if so directed by the General Meeting), adjourn the meeting, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned General Meeting other than the business left unfinished at the General Meeting from which the adjournment took place. When a General Meeting is adjourned for 30 days or more notice of the adjourned General Meeting shall be given as in the case of an original General Meeting; save as aforesaid it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned Meeting.”.

5. **Delete** Bye-law 18(2) and **substitute**:

“(2) Every person entitled to vote who is present or nominated by proxy shall have one vote.”.

6. In Bye-law 19 **insert** new paragraph:

“(4) No objection shall be raised to any vote except at the General Meeting or adjourned General Meeting at which the vote objected to is given or tendered, and every vote not disallowed at such General Meeting shall be valid for all purposes. Any such objection made in due time shall be referred to the Chair of the General Meeting, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.”.

7. **Delete** Bye-law 22 and **substitute**:

#### **“22. Election of Council Members**

The following provisions shall apply to the election of Council Members.

- (1) Prior to the Annual General Meeting in each year at which vacancies are to arise, a ballot shall be held to comply with applicable UK trade union legislation, unless

there are no more candidates than vacancies, in which case no ballot will be necessary and nominated candidates will be deemed to be elected.

- (2) The procedure for nominating candidates, the appointment of scrutineers, any required transitional arrangements and for the conduct and counting of the ballot shall be set out in regulations to be made by the Council; provided that such regulations shall conform to the requirements of any applicable legislation the elections shall take place according to the principles of transferable voting unless the Council has adopted an alternative voting system.
- (3) If there are insufficient candidates nominated to fill the available Council places or if a vacancy should arise, the Council may organise a by-election to take place when reasonably practicable after the date of the original Council elections or the date on which the vacancy arose, as appropriate. Any Fellow, Member, Associate or Student Member filling a vacancy under this Bye-Law shall hold office for the remainder of the term of the original vacancy.”.