



At the Council Chamber, Whitehall

THE 8th DAY OF MARCH 2023

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

The Privy Council has allowed the amendments to the Byelaws of The Royal Literary Fund as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

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SCHEDULE

AMENDMENTS TO THE BYELAWS OF THE ROYAL LITERARY FUND

1. Wherever the following occur throughout the Byelaws:
 - a) *delete* “he” and *substitute* “she”;
 - b) *delete* “his” and *substitute* “her”;
 - c) *delete* “him” and *substitute* “her”;
 - d) *delete* “membership” and *substitute* “Membership”;
 - e) *delete* “Chairman” and *substitute* “Chair”.

2. In Byelaw 2(iv):
 - a) *delete* “masculine” and *substitute* “feminine” and later in the sentence *delete* “feminine” and *substitute* “masculine”;
 - b) after “gender” *insert* “and vice versa”.

3. In Byelaw 19:
 - a) *delete* “(or a majority)”;
 - b) *delete* “(whichever is the greater)”.

4. *Delete* Byelaws 29 to 33 inclusive and *substitute*:

“29. Trustees shall be elected by the Individual and Corporate members at the Annual General Meeting upon the nomination of the Committee or no fewer than two Individual or Corporate members. Nominations and election shall be dealt with in accordance with the Regulations.

30. (i) The terms of office of Trustees, and the requirements for reappointment, are set out in the Regulations.

(ii) Officers shall be nominated by the Committee from amongst the Trustees in accordance with the Regulations.

4. **Delete** Byelaw 41.

5. **Renumber** Byelaws 34 to 66 as 31 to 61.

6. In Byelaw 39 as renumbered, **delete** “five” and **substitute** “seven”.

7. In Byelaw 40 as renumbered:

- a) **delete** “five” and **substitute** “seven serving”;
- b) after “Trustees or” **insert** “a majority of the serving Trustees (whichever is the greater)”.

8. **Delete** Byelaw 41 as renumbered and **substitute**:

“41. The Committee may delegate any of their powers to any sub-committee consisting of such of their number and such other persons as they think fit, provided that such sub-committees shall include at least two persons being a Trustee. The Quorum for meetings of any sub-committee shall be a majority of the persons sitting on the sub-committee, of which at least two must be Trustees.”.

9. In Byelaw 42 as renumbered:

- a) **delete** “pursuant to Byelaw 46” and **substitute** “pursuant to Byelaw 41”;
- b) **delete** sentence beginning “All acts and proceedings of such” and **substitute** “All acts and proceedings of such sub-committees and any resolutions passed or decisions taken by such sub-committees shall be reported promptly to the Committee.”.

10. In Byelaw 48 as renumbered **delete** “The Secretary shall take minutes” and **substitute** “The Secretary shall ensure that minutes are taken.”.

11. In Byelaw 53 as renumbered **delete** “Article 13” and **substitute** “Article 14”.