



Westerly Owners' Association

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Minutes of the Association EGM (subject to ratification)

Held at the RNLI College Poole

On Saturday 31st January 2026. Commencing at 10.30 am.

Present from the Committee: Brian Jones – Commodore BJ, Bob Walker – Vice Commodore BW, Jeremy Smallwood JS2, Jan Smallwood JS, Mike Neal - Rear Commodore MN, Chris Dent CD, Chris Hoar CH, Chris Strang CS, Tom Teichmann TT, Emma LeFeuvre EL.

Apologies for Absence: Graham & Sheila McCarty, Duncan & Margaret Tannahill, Mike Haynes, Dave Tarbour, Michael Allan, Mark & Julie Allan, Ann Rand, Eddie & Terasa Niewiarowski.

There were 82 participants and 7 past Commodores present.



1. Brian Jones explained that the EGM was called to discuss and ratify proposed changes to the Constitution and Rules to include the second named person as full members. (Full details of the proposed changes are as per the EGM Agenda distributed with the Winter Magazine mailing and available on the WOA website.)
2. **Proposed Changes to the Constitution and Rules No1.** - Bob Walker explained that many memberships included a second named person, such as a husband-and-wife partnership, but that at present only the first named person has voting rights and access to WOA log in. If the second named person was to log in using the first named persons details this would be a breach of GDPR. Currently 'Listed Members' are defined, at 4.3 in the Constitution, as those who are listed in the central register of members, it is proposed that this be changed to 'Listed Members' are defined as those persons who are listed in the Yearbook official record of members. Second named persons will be given voting rights and their own WOA log in.
3. **Vote to approve the changes to Constitution and Rules No1** – Proposed, Tom Teichmann, Seconded, Gill Clare. The proposal was as carried.

Proposed Changes to the Constitution and Rules No2 - Bob Walker explained that at present an EGM is required to make a change in the annual subscription fee which is time-consuming. The proposal is to authorise the elected Association Committee to adjust Subscription and Fees without needing an EGM which would allow any necessary adjustments to be made in a timely way. Following a discussion an amendment was tabled to the effect that any changes would be subject to ratification at the following AGM. A vote was held on the amendment Proposed Michael Maguire, Seconded Anthony Payne. The amendment was lost.

4. **Vote to approve changes to Constitution and Rules No2** –To approve the Proposed Tom Teichmann, Seconded Jeremy Smallwood. The proposal as carried.
5. The EGM closed at 11.10.

Bill Shepherd
Minutes Secretary
February 2026

Minutes accepted

Signed. Bob Walker. Commodore		Date: 05 Feb 2026
Signed. Chris Strang. Secretary		Date 5 February 2026