

FMC new rules 2018 – summary of changes

This is the first total rewrite since FMC was created in 1931. The intention of the rewrite was:

- To incorporate likely changes in the new Incorporated Societies Act
- To modernise the wording
- To reflect changes in technology since 1931
- To produce a clearer set of Rules

The Rules as they are worded in 2017 already reflect some significant changes introduced piecemeal over the previous 86 years. Interesting to reflect that in this time matters such as size of Executive, method of electing the Executive, length of term office, subs, structure of membership have all been debated and changes made. The significant changes in this rewrite from the current version of the Rules are:

- A rewrite of the Objects to reflect where FMC is at in the 21st Century
- The creation of a Poll of Clubs procedure to enable subsequent rule changes to be voted on by all clubs and not require a General Meeting to be held.
- The addition of Appendices which record in one place the activities FMC promotes, the structure of clubs and subs, the responsibility of the President and Vice President.
- Clauses which clarify meeting procedure

The rewrite does not change:

- Size of, method of nominating for, or electing of, the Executive
- The rights of Clubs – in particular voting rights