

Dear Friend

As highlighted in the AGM calling notice the constitution has been rewritten to enable compliance with new legislation (the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, Disclosure (Scotland) Act 2020 and the Charities (Regulation and Administration)(Scotland) Act 2023) (draft attached). We have used guidance provided by Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations and Burness Paull LLP in drafting this rewrite. The major changes revolve around governance and management of the charity. The Secretary will go through the major changes and brief on the rationale for the rewrite at the forthcoming AGM when, it is hoped, the changes will be accepted. The new constitution will then have to be put past the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) before coming into force.

Best regards

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### Proposed Changes to Constitution

Section	2026 proposal	2008 version
Name of charity	Same	
Scottish Principal Office	Secretary's address	Not required
Purpose of charity	Same	

Powers	Same with clarification that charity can not hold/own land or permanent buildings Added clarification re supervision of children / vulnerable adults	
Liabilities	New, clarifying limitations of an Unincorporated Association	
Membership	Expanded to included clarification on Household, Comms to members, Honorary members, Membership records, Resignation of members	