

PROPOSED CHANGES TO FRIENDS OF NERAM CONSTITUTION
MARCH 2020

There are four changes proposed for the Constitution of Friends of NERAM Inc.

1. Membership of NERAM Ltd

The first is to clarify the membership of NERAM Ltd which is optional for Friends but needs to be selected on the membership form.

5. Membership Eligibility

- (1) A person is eligible to apply to be a Member of the Association if the person has an interest in NERAM.
- (2) *On becoming a Member of the Association the person is also entitled to be proposed for Membership of NERAM Ltd.*

2. Membership Renewal

The second is to change the date for membership renewal to reflect the current period.

Clause 11.

Delete the words 1 January in 2ubclause 2 paragraphs (a) and (b)

Insert the words *1 April* in subclause paragraphs (a) and (b)

11. Fees and Payments

- (2) (a) except as provided by paragraph (b), before *1 April* in each calendar year, or
- (b) if the Member becomes a Member on or after *1 April* in any calendar year - on becoming a Member and before 1 April in each succeeding calendar year.

3. NERAM Ltd Membership Entitlement

The third is to detail the implications and entitlements of membership of NERAM Ltd. Friends of NERAM will pay the \$10 one off membership fee on behalf of a member.

Insert new Clause 19 **NERAM Limited Membership Entitlement**

NERAM Ltd Membership Entitlement

- (7) *On becoming a Member of the Association the Member is entitled to be proposed for Membership of NERAM Ltd. Members of the Association should elect if they wish to be proposed for Membership of NERAM Ltd on their joining application.*
- (8) *The Association will provide the Board of NERAM Ltd with the names of Members of the Association who have elected to become Members of NERAM Ltd. The Board of NERAM Ltd will consider the proposed Members according to the Constitution and Rules of NERAM Ltd.*
- (9) *The Association will pay the joining fee for NERAM Ltd on behalf of the Member.*
- (10) *Cessation of Membership of the Association does not affect Membership of NERAM Ltd.*

(11) *The Association will not be held liable for the actions of any person(s) proposed for Membership of NERAM Ltd.*

(12) *The Association is not liable for any contribution to the assets of NERAM Ltd, or for the contributions of any of the Members of the Association or Members of NERAM Ltd to the assets of NERAM Ltd, in the event of NERAM Ltd being wound up.*

4. Committee Members Maximum Term

The fourth is to stipulate a maximum term of 5 years for committee members, unless an extension is approved between members and by a majority of the committee.

1. Clause 20 subclause 5

Delete the words *but is eligible for re-election* in subclause 1.

Insert new subclause 2 :

Committee members are eligible for re-election provided that the maximum term for each Committee member shall be 5 years unless an extension for a further period is approved between members, and by a majority of the Committee.

2(5) Subject to these Rules, each member of the Committee remains on the Committee until his or her position is declared vacant at the next AGM following appointment or election. *Committee members are eligible for re-election provided that the maximum term for each Committee member shall be 5 years unless an extension for a further period is approved between members and by a majority of the Committee.*