

## **Sussex Cricket Limited**

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# **Amendments to Sussex Cricket Limited Rules**

#### **PURPOSE OF PAPER**

I have produced this paper for the benefit of Sussex Cricket Limited Members in advance of the Special General Meeting, which will be held on **Monday 15**<sup>th</sup> **September 2025**.

The purpose is to provide Members with information about the reasons for seeking their support for the amendments to the Rules that are proposed by the Board of Directors.

#### **BACKGROUND**

At the last AGM in March 2025, the Members approved the extension of the tenure of the current Chair, Mr. Jon Filby by one year to March 2026 on the basis of the exceptional circumstances that were explained at the meeting. In addition, the Rule changes to the recruitment process for the Chair were also passed by the Members. At this AGM some Members pointed out that the ECB guidelines (County Governance Framework) permit a Director to serve on a Board for a maximum of 12 years, if appointed as Chair during their term.

Currently, the SCL Rules state that no Elected Director may serve as a Director for more than nine consecutive years without a 12-month break from office:

7.27 Except in exceptional circumstances, as specified in a Regulation, no Elected Director may serve as a Director for more than nine consecutive years without taking a break from office of one 12-month period or, if less, the period from one AGM to the next AGM.

#### **BOARD DECISION**

As a consequence of this, the, Governance Nominations and Election Committee has considered existing Rules and determined that there was no reason why the Rules should not be changed to align with the County Governance Framework. This was then discussed by the SCL Board.

The Board has agreed to recommend that the Rules of Sussex Cricket be changed to bring it in line with the County Governance Framework. This permits a Director to serve for a total of 12 years on the Board provided they are appointed as Chair during their second or third term. The statement "if elected as Chair during their second or third term" is applicable as if a Board Member is elected Chair during their first term, they are only able to serve a maximum of six years as Chair (Rule 9.4) and therefore there would be no requirement to extend their term.

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Furthermore, the Board has voted by a majority vote to extend the current Chair's tenure by a further two years to March 2028, if the Rule change is agreed by the Members.

If you have any questions regarding the Rule change recommendation and/or the extension of the current Chair's tenure, please do not hesitate to contact me (v.kalidasan@sussexcricket.co.uk).

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the 15<sup>th</sup> September.

Best wishes

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Chair, Governance Nominations and Election Committee