



The Bar Council

Notice of 2023 Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Bar of England and Wales will be in person meeting held at the Bar Council Offices, 289-293 High Holborn at 11.00 on Saturday 9 September 2023. It will follow a meeting of the Bar Council.

The agenda for the AGM will be made available to Subscribers, Circuits, Specialist Bar Associations and the Inns of Court as soon as possible after **the closing date for resolutions on Friday 25 August 2023**. In accordance with Part II, paragraph 16(a) of the Constitution, the Bar Council shall present its annual report and accounts at this meeting.

Regulation 32(c) of Part II of the Constitution of the General Council of the Bar states that the terms of any alteration to the Regulations in the Constitution shall be notified to all Subscribers in the notice convening the General Meeting (whether Annual or Extraordinary) next following the meeting of the Bar Council at which the alteration was made.

In compliance with that undertaking, this notice confirms the changes to the Constitution since the last AGM on 17 September 2023. All changes to the Constitution of the General Council of the Bar must be put to Bar Council members for approval by way of an Extraordinary Resolution. There have been two changes since the last AGM, which have been approved on two separate occasions.

Occasion 1: Saturday 4 February 2023

Addition of provision under Part II Section 6:

“A person shall cease to be a member of the Bar Council if:

[...]

(h) they are removed from the Bar Council pursuant to the provisions of the Procedure for dealing with allegations of misconduct by members of the Bar Council as approved by the Bar Council on 04 February 2023.

And if a person is suspended from the Bar Council pursuant to the provisions of the Procedure for dealing with allegations of misconduct by members of the Bar Council they shall, for so long as that suspension is in effect, be treated for all purposes as though they are not a member of the Bar Council.”

Approved in line with the adoption of the Misconduct Procedures for Members of the Bar Council.

Occasion 2: Tuesday 20 June 2023

Amendment of provision (x) under Part II, Section 2 of the constitution of the Bar Council:
*~~“Until 1 January 2024, Not more than 8 further subscribers who may be co-opted by the Bar Council.
This will be subject to a review in 2023.”~~*

Those wishing to attend the AGM, should contact Isi Onwukwe-Anyadike, Governance and Committees Manager: ionwukwe-anyadike@barcouncil.org.uk