

Important Message to Members from PLA Advisory

Dear Colleagues

The purpose of this message is to inform PLA members of PLA Advisory's support for the National Board, and our position on the upcoming vote on the proposed new PLA constitution. We have spent considerable time reviewing the issues to arrive at our position. We have summarised some important information for you to review and encourage you to understand what is being considered and to get involved.

PLA Advisory supports a nationally structured organisation. Our industry partners and government have indicated that PLA's role is to speak for the whole industry, and they see this best being achieved through a national body with a contemporary constitution.

PLA Advisory is a small independent group of industry experts associated with the national board of PLA and working for our industry. We volunteer considerable time for the industry, and our voice is respected both within PLA and by our wider industry partners. View Advisory's webpage for more information about us - <https://parksleisure.com.au/about-us/pla-advisorycommittee/>

PLA Advisory would like to share four key points regarding the constitution proposals:

- I. We encourage PLA members to be aware of the issues and make a judgement based on their insights.
- II. Organise a proxy vote if you will not attend the AGM at the National PLA Conference in November 2025. Proxy forms are available from <https://parksleisure.com.au/annual-general-meeting/>

What is being proposed by PLA National Board:

Updating the constitution is good practice, and appropriate for a contemporary organisation in a changing world. The constitution has not been updated since 2016, and the National Board has been reviewing it through 2024-5.

The changes / updates include:

- New clauses on declaration of conflict of interest for Directors;
- New clauses on dispute resolution;
- Refined purpose, strengthening the "advancing the natural environment" and "advancing education" which should support application for charity status (which may provide additional future revenue sources);
- Amendments to comply with the government National Gender Equity in Sport Governance Policy



More information about the current and proposed constitution is available from <https://parksleisure.com.au/annual-general-meeting/> FAQ document.

We encourage you to review the FAQs provided by the National Board if you are seeking additional information: <https://parksleisure.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/FAQ-for-PLA-members-for-upcoming-AGM88.pdf>. Please contact any members of Advisory if you have any further questions or use our PLA email (research@parksleisure.com.au), and members of Advisory will be at the Conference if you “want to have a chat.”

With Regards

PLA Advisory