Society of Antiquaries of London

Order 2, October 2015

On the provision of postal or electronic voting for Anniversary Elections and other matters for the Society’s Fellowship

1. Background

1.1 The Charter and Statutes make provision for votes to be cast by the Fellowship on a number of issues, but until now some of the voting has to be done in person at a meeting of the Society rather than by post or online. The Society already has the capacity to raise certificates for the proposal of new Fellows and to vote on their election to the Society in person, by post and online, and this facility needs to be extended to most matters on which the Fellowship may be asked to vote.

2. Extension of postal and electronic voting

2.1 This Order extends the use of postal voting and voting by electronic means (as appropriate to the needs of individual Fellows) to the following matters for determination by the Fellowship as set out in the Statutes dated October 2015:
- The election of Officers (Statute 3.2.2a, and 8.10.4)
- The election of Members of Council (Statute 3.2.2d, and 4.6)
- Formal votes on making, constituting and establishing, or varying, altering and revoking Statutes, Rules, Orders, Bylaws and Constitutions or any other resolutions put before a General Meeting of the Society (under the Charter and under Statutes 3.2.2g, 3.2.6, 3.3.4, 3.4.2, 6.5.10, 9.6, and Statute 18)

3. Exceptions

3.1 In view of the sensitivity of the matters, and the need to hear the arguments made in person, including any accusation or defence, this provision for online or postal voting is not at present to be extended to the removal of a Fellow on grounds of misconduct (Statute 2.5.4), or to the removal of a Member of Council (Statute 4.8.7 and 4.8.8).

Resolved by the Society of Antiquaries Council

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Signed

President