

The Large Munsterlander Club

Update from the Management Committee following the Questions and Answers meeting re proposed Rule Changes 26th September 2023

The above meeting was not a formally minuted meeting, but here is a short summary for your interest.

Firstly, thank you to everyone attending the virtual meeting on Tuesday to discuss the proposed new rules for the LMC, and to review the comments made by members before the meeting together with some alternative wording. Thank you also to our Patron, the Honourable Mrs Farncombe for taking time to join us.

The meeting was very useful, productive, and certainly helped to iron out some remaining areas of concern.

We debated a few topics principally around breed health but agreed that these matters were for a future discussion and not for including in our rules at this point in time.

We then reviewed all the comments received from members together with the suggested alternative wording, as had been previously published on the LMC website. All changes were agreed other than two clauses where we agreed the wording could be further clarified and improved. These related to rule 15 (election of committee members) and rules 45 and 46 where there was still unnecessary duplication.

These two final clauses have been redrafted and currently seeking approval from the committee team and will then be published on the website prior to the SGM.

There were no suggested changes to the code of ethics and code of conduct documents.

Some debate was held around the venue for the SGM, which is currently planned to be near Aylesbury (on 12th November early afternoon), to enable easy access by the committee, the day before and on the day, to set up and test the equipment required to host the meeting both face to face and virtually. The consensus was that virtual attendance was an excellent way of allowing inclusion and therefore the ability for the committee to access, setup and test the system is vital.

Regarding running larger virtual meetings with people joining at different times, we did have some challenges during this meeting, and I will apologise to those that were not able to join once the meeting was in full swing. We are on a learning curve and will improve that process for the SGM.

My next steps are to draw up a final version of the proposed rules and codes, and to seek agreement with the RKC regarding the format of the notice which I hope to clear in the next week, following which the formal notice will be sent to members either by email or by post.

If you have any questions, please contact me.