



# Royal Association of Justices of Western Australia (Inc.)

## Notice of Annual General Meeting

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2024

9:30-11.30am

Dear Members,

We advise you of our **Annual General Meeting** (AGM) to be held on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2024 at 9.30am at the Cricket Pavilion at Kent Street Senior High School, 74 Rathay Street, Kensington. We are grateful to the school for giving us this opportunity and pleased to be able to hold our meeting on that side of Perth for those members who live southside. A map and photo of the meeting location is attached.

### Special Resolutions

I have attached a meeting Agenda for your information. Please note that it includes six Special Resolutions for consideration at the Annual General Meeting. The proposals and the reasons for them are as follows:

#### Special Resolution 1 of 2024 Annual General Meeting

**1. That the titles of Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson be changed throughout the Constitution to President and Deputy President, except when it refers to the chairperson of the meeting.**

#### Notes:

- a) The chairperson of the meeting could be either the President, the Deputy President or a Councillor appointed to chair that meeting because the President and Deputy President are not available.
- b) Changing back to the title of President would remove confusion.

#### Special Resolution 2 of 2024 Annual General Meeting

**2. That the title of Management Committee be changed to Council throughout.**

#### Notes:

- i. If the title Council is adopted, Council members would again be called 'Councillors.'
- ii. It is easier to write one word instead of two.

#### Special Resolution 3 of 2024 Annual General Meeting

**3. That Rule 4 (3) which currently states that 'An Individual who has not reached the age of 15 years is not eligible to apply for a class of membership that confers full voting rights' be deleted.**

## Notes

- i. Anyone under the age of 18 years has no legal authority and cannot exercise powers in an Association.

### Special Resolution 4 of 2024 Annual General Meeting

**4. That rule 8 (3) of the Constitution which currently states that 'An individual who has not reached the age of 15 years is only eligible to be an associate member' be deleted.**

## Notes

- i. Anyone under the age of 18 years has no legal authority and cannot exercise powers in an association.
- ii. Nor can or should they be appointed as an Associate Member.

### Special Resolution 5 of 2024 Annual General Meeting

**5. That part of Rule 8 (5) which currently states that 'An ordinary member has full voting rights, and any other rights conferred on members by these rules or approved by resolution at a general meeting or determined by the committee' be amended so that the phrase 'or determined by the committee' is removed.**

## Notes:

- i. This is confusing and appears to be contradictory to the Constitution and the Act.
- ii. If the committee has the right to change this, then why is it necessary to include "by resolution at a general meeting"?

### Special Resolution 6 of 2024 Annual General Meeting

**6. That Rule 64 (4) (a, b) which currently reads that '(4) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments of the Association must be signed by —**

(a) 2 committee members; or

(b) one committee member and a person authorised by the committee'

**be amended to read**

**(4) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments of the Association must be signed by**

**(a) any two of three authorised Council members; or**

**(b) any of the three authorised Council members and a person authorised by the Council.**

## Notes:

- i. We have generally had more than two signatories, but this needs to be enshrined in our Constitution for good governance in the event of one of the authorised people becoming unavailable.

This meeting will be recorded and available to join by Zoom. If you would like to join us in that way, please email either [registrar@rajwa.org.au](mailto:registrar@rajwa.org.au) or [rajwa@rajwa.org.au](mailto:rajwa@rajwa.org.au) and put

'Zoom link required' in the subject line. I will send the link 48 hours before the start of the meeting.

For this AGM, we have attached a Proxy form for those members who are unable to attend the AGM but wish to cast their vote. They can do this by appointing an ordinary financial member as a proxy for the meeting.

Our use of the pavilion will end sharply at 11.30am, as another organisation has it booked after us. We will have refreshments available from the start of the meeting, so, if possible, please help yourself before being seated. Volunteers will staff the kitchen, but members should access refreshments from the serving hatch rather than enter the kitchen.

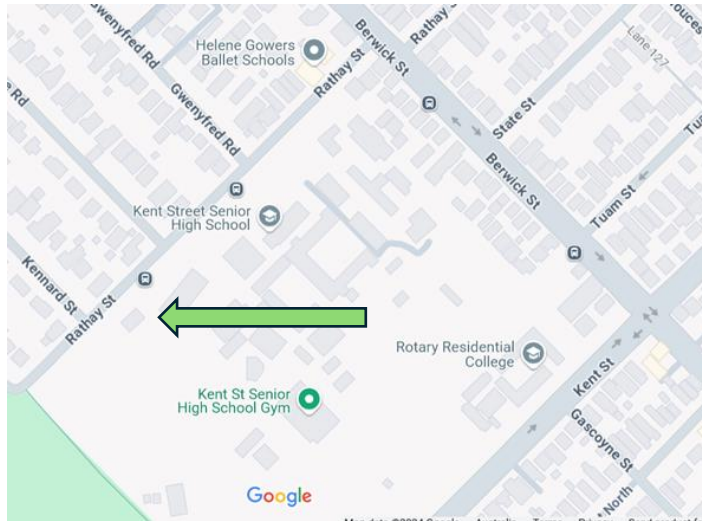
Dr Gillian Colclough  
**Registrar**

## AGENDA 2024

### Establish Quorum:

1. Acknowledgement of the traditional owners of the land
2. Attendance, proxies received and apologies
3. Minute of silence for members who have passed away.
4. Minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting and business arising from the minutes.
5. President's Report 2023-24
6. Financial Statements for 2023-24
7. Special resolutions for changes to Constitution
  - 1) That the titles of Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson be changed throughout the Constitution to President and Deputy President, except when it refers to the chairperson of the meeting.
  - 2) That the title of Management Committee be changed to Council throughout.
  - 3) That Rule 4 (3) of the Constitution be deleted.
  - 4) That Rule 8 (3) of the Constitution be deleted.
  - 5) That the phrase 'or determined by the committee' in Rule 8 (5) is deleted.
  - 6) That Rule 64 (4) (a, b) be amended to read:
    - (4) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments of the Association must be signed by -
      - (a) any two of three authorised Council members; or
      - (b) any of the three authorised Council members and a person authorised by the Council.
8. Election of Council Members for 2024-25
9. Appointment of Auditor/Reviewer of Accounts.
10. Close

## Kent Street Senior High School Cricket Pavilion, Rathay Street.



The pavilion is further down Rathay Street than the main part of the school. There should be ample street parking on a Saturday, as most sports are played on the far side of the oval, using another set of player rooms. The pavilion is set up as a classroom.



These gates will be open for access to the Pavilion. There is a parking bay inside the gates for disabled access, but it will be first come, first served. It would be better to drive in and drop off passengers needing special access and then park on the street.