



## Agenda of the Half Yearly Members' Meeting held at Lincolnshire Showground on Saturday 10th June 2023 and electronically via Lumi

1. To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2022.
2. To receive the Directors' Half Yearly Report.
3. To approve a change to the Society rule book concerning Young Members (Special Resolution).
4. To declare the results of the election for three members of the Board of Directors.

### Supporting Information: Item 3 (Special Resolution): Rule Change concerning Young Members

Under the Society's published Rule Book, a young member is eligible to accrue and redeem dividend on attaining the age of 12. The Society is exploring the future use of digital services to provide certain of its membership benefits. Under data privacy laws, the effective age at which an individual can give consent to receive an online service is 13 years of age. There is a need to amend the Rules so that receipt of member benefits via any digital services is aligned with this legal requirement. It is therefore proposed that Rules 11 and 12 are restated as below. The Society will continue to maintain separate membership terms and conditions, including the age at which certain benefits and entitlements arise (currently available at: [www.lincolnshire.coop/membership/dividend-terms-and-conditions](http://www.lincolnshire.coop/membership/dividend-terms-and-conditions)). The age-related requirements in the Rules concerning both voting and standing for election will remain unaffected.

"11. All those wishing to become a member must support the objectives of the Society and complete the membership application form specified by the Board (which shall include an application for the minimum number of shares). No person shall be admitted to membership unless their application is accepted by the Board.

12. The terms of membership (including the age at which Members may receive benefits and entitlements such as the accrual and redemption of dividend) shall be set out separately in any regulations that the Society may adopt, subject always to the following:

- (a) Members must attain the age of 16 years of age in order to vote on any business conducted at Members meetings, and to vote in elections for the Board; and
- (b) Members must attain the age of 18 years of age in order to stand for election to, and serve on the Board (subject to the further eligibility criteria set out in these Rules)."