 **Proposed Changes to the Constitution**

At the forthcoming Annual General Meeting on 15th June, members will be asked to support resolutions that amend the membership categories as described below and also to delegate responsibility for necessary changes to the legal status of cCLOA.

In order for these resolutions to be passed they must be supported by at least two thirds of the members present and voting at the AGM.

**Membership Categories**

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee the Membership Secretary presented a review of membership categories and benefits. As a result of this review, the following changes to membership have been proposed:

* that Full Member, Associate Member, Retired Member and Individual Commercial Member be replaced by a single inclusive category of Individual Member.

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and

* that the two differing fees for commercial and public sector be abolished and a single Corporate Membership be agreed for organisations wishing to nominate more than 3 individuals for cCLOA membership.

The annual subscription for 13/14 will be £405.

Please note that the category of Honorary Membership, which is awarded to individuals who are making or who have made a significant contribution to the development of the cultural and leisure disciplines, will remain.

**Legal Status of the Association**

Following a review of the operating status of cCLOA as an unincorporated association, the Executive Committee wishes to adopt a new legal structure in order to strengthen credibility and provide protection for the Executive members.

Therefore it is requested that the membership delegates responsibility for moving this matter forward to the Chair, Richard Hunt, Treasurer, Ian Shipp and Executive Secretary, Heidi Bellamy.

Formal proposals will be brought to the Executive Committee for consideration and requesting approval to make the necessary transition at a later date[[1]](#footnote-1).

**John Bell – Honorary Secretary**

1. If the legal changes to cCLOA are significant the views of the whole membership will be sought. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)