

VIRTUAL MEETING

The 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held as a “virtual” meeting using an online facility.

As this is the first time we are holding the AGM in this format and some members may not be familiar with online meetings, please note the following.

Webinar style

The meeting will be held in a ‘webinar’ format. That means that you will not be able to see other members attending. Cameras and microphones will be controlled by the Vero platform and will be switched off for meeting attendees.

Questions

Questions have to be submitted in writing via the ‘Q&A’ function available in Vero. There will be an explanation in the meeting while we are all logged on. All questions will be published so that you can see what questions are being asked and we will answer as many questions from as many different members as possible, within the time scheduled for Q&A.

Voting

Voting will be through the Vero online platform and we will talk you through the process of voting in the meeting. The first votes will be to adopt the minutes and to receive the Financial Statements so there will be a couple of opportunities to familiarise yourself with how voting works before voting in the election.

Vero Voting is designated as the returning officer for all votes on the night and the results of each vote will be read out as soon as it is complete.

Board election

Please ensure you familiarise yourself with the written candidate statements that have been published on the Renew website and are available through the Vero AGM platform in the meeting.

Each candidate has also provided a short video to introduce him- or herself, which will be shown prior to the election. We have opted for videos instead of “live” statements to avoid any issue with potentially unreliable internet connections that could disadvantage a candidate. In keeping with the established process of previous years, there will be no questions to candidates.

Special business

The special business motion is conditional on the outcome of the election and so the secretary will confirm the structure of the motion. It will then be presented by a mover and a seconder and board members will respond. Voting will then proceed as per the previous votes, through the Vero platform.