



## **Proposed Amended Constitution**

### **Explanatory Memorandum**

At the AGM of the Club on 21 November 2018, it is proposed to move that that the Club's Constitution be amended in the form of the draft Constitution attached. The current Constitution is of indeterminate age and needs to be updated to relate to current circumstances. The principal changes are;

1. Formal provision for what is currently in place with a management structure comprised of a Board and Directors, in place of a Committee and Members (clauses 29-52);
2. Provision for what has already occurred, namely the option of the appointment of a Chairman (clauses 29 and 57);
3. Clarification of the option to appoint a Patron, who would no longer be part of management or be a member of the Board (clause 58);
4. The inclusion of a specific power, which does not currently exist, for the Board to grant Honorary Life Membership to a Member. The only clause in the current Constitution is for life membership of the SUSF, not of the Club. The provisions will clarify that the Honorary Life Members will be entitled to hold a position on the Board and to vote at General Meetings. They will not be liable to pay subscription fees (clause 62);
5. The omission of criteria for the various categories of membership of the SUSF. They can be changed from time to time by the SUSF and are not within the control of the Club (clause 8);
6. Provision for what has already happened with the appointment of an Integrity Officer for the Club. Integrity in sport is a matter of general concern and the Club is leading the field in AFL in NSW by the appointment of its Integrity Officer, the requirement for which is to be formalised by the amendment (clause 59);
7. The provision of a more specific process to be followed for amending the Constitution, including the requirement of the SUSF that it has to approve amendments to the Constitution (clause 6).