

# Rule Amendments 2024

## Introduction

Following the decision to move Annual Conference to an on-line event in alternate years, the previous rules for the election of the Conference Arrangements Committee are no longer viable.

The NEC has therefore made the following changes to the Party's Rules, subject to a confirmatory vote of local party and affiliate lead delegates following the AGM.

Please note – following a drafting error, this document has been corrected since it was originally circulated, to ensure that four serving members remain elected to the committee each year.

# **Election of Conference Arrangements Committee (CAC)**

### Current wording (Co-operative Party Rule Book 2023 p.26)

- 1. CAC shall be composed of five people: four elected by ballot to be held at Annual Conference and one member of the NEC, elected by the NEC to represent that body.
- 2. Notwithstanding casual vacancies, no more than two people will be elected at each Annual Conference.
- 3. Voting for the CAC will be by one member, one vote by those delegates present and voting.
- 4. No more than one representative shall be elected from any one Region.
- 5. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will serve for three years and the candidate with the next highest vote will serve for one year.

#### **New wording**

- 1. CAC shall be composed of five people: four elected by ballot and one member of the NEC, elected by the NEC to represent that body.
- 2. The ballot for CAC will take place every 2 years at a venue-based Annual Conference.
- 3. Notwithstanding casual vacancies, no more than two people will be elected at each Annual Conference.
- 4. Voting for the CAC will be by one member, one vote by those delegates present and voting.
- 5. No more than one representative shall be elected from any one Region.
- 6. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes will serve for four years.
- 7. If Annual Conference is cancelled or postponed, the terms of the current CAC will be extended accordingly.