

Members of the Institute, whether present at or absent from the place of election and not otherwise.

6. At the first Annual Meeting of the Institute, all the Members of the Council then in office, except any who have signified to the Council their desire not to offer themselves for election, shall be deemed to be nominated for election. Every other Candidate for election on the Council on that occasion shall be nominated by 10 Members, in writing, signed by the Members nominating, and by the Candidate, and deposited at the Offices of the Institute fourteen clear days before the day of the Meeting. The list of persons so nominated shall be read to the Meeting by the Chairman.

7. On every occasion subsequent to the first Annual General every retiring Member of the Council shall, unless he shall have signified to the Council his desire not to offer himself for re-election, be deemed to be nominated for election.

8. As regards any other Candidate to be put up for election on the Council at any Annual Meeting, after the first, previous notice thereof shall be given to the Council twenty-one clear days before the first of May, and such notice shall be accompanied by an intimation in writing from the proposed new Member of his willingness to serve if elected, and the receipt of such notice and intimation shall be stated in the circular issued by the Council before each Annual Meeting, and the provisions of these Bye-Laws relating to the nomination of candidates at the first Annual Meeting shall extend to candidates within this present Bye-Law.

9. In the event of any vacancy occurring in the Council between one Annual Meeting and another, the vacancy may be filled up by the Council at a Meeting summoned with notice of this object, and a person so becoming a Member of the Council shall hold Office as long only as the vacating Member would have been entitled to hold Office, but shall be re-eligible.

10. A Member of the Council may resign by sending in his resignation to the Council, and on its acceptance by the Council, but not until then, he ceases to be a Member of the Council.

11. The office of a Member of the Council is vacated—

1. If he ceases to be a Member of the Institute, or is excluded or suspended for any period from membership.
2. If he is absent from the meetings of the Council for more than six consecutive months without the consent of the Council in writing.
3. If he becomes bankrupt or insolvent, or suspends payment, or compounds with his creditors.
4. If he is declared lunatic, or becomes of unsound mind.

12. The Institute may at any time, by a resolution passed by a majority of two-thirds of the votes of Members present and voting at a Special Meeting, remove any Member of the Council from his office before the expiration of his period of office, provided that if a poll be demanded as to the resolution for removal, the same majority of two-thirds shall be necessary on the taking of the poll for carrying that resolution; and may by a resolution passed by a majority of the votes of Members present and voting at that Meeting, elect another qualified person in his stead. The person so elected shall hold office during such time only as the Member in whose place he was elected would have been entitled to hold the same if he had not been removed.

CHAPTER III.—*Proceedings and Powers of the Council.*

13. The Council shall meet at the Offices of the Institute on the first Wednesday in each month, or at such other times and places as they may determine.

14. A meeting of the Council may at any time be called by order of the President or Vice-President, or at the request of any five Members of the Council.

15. Three clear days' notice of a Meeting of a Council, or twenty-four hours' notice in a case of emergency, shall be delivered or sent to each Member of the Council at his usual or last known address, and such notice shall, so far as practicable, contain a statement of the business to be transacted at such meeting. It shall not be necessary in any case to prove that such notice has been delivered or sent, but the same shall be taken as delivered or duly sent unless the contrary be shown, and the non-receipt of any notice by any Member or the non-existence of any supposed emergency, shall not affect the proceedings of any meeting.

16. At all meetings of the Council the President, and in his absence the Vice-President, shall be Chairman; and in the absence of both, the Chairman shall be elected from among those present.

17. At all Meetings of the Council, in the event of difference of opinion, the majority shall rule the minority (except where otherwise required by the Charter or by Bye-Laws), and in case of equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote, in addition to his original vote.

18. Subject to the provisions of the foregoing Bye-Laws, the Chairman of any Meeting of the Council may, with the consent of the Meeting, adjourn the Meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned Meeting other than the business left unfinished at the Meeting from which the adjournment took place. No notice need be given of an adjourned Meeting unless it is so directed in the resolution for adjournment.

19. The number of Members of the Council whose presence shall be requisite for the transaction of business shall be seven.

20. At the first Meeting of the Council after each Annual Meeting, the Members of the Council then present shall choose one of the Members of the Council as President, and another as Vice-President for the year following such choice, and any vacancy in either of those offices shall be filled up in like manner at the next monthly or other ordinary Meeting of the Council.

21. Minutes shall be made in proper books to be provided for the purpose of all resolutions and proceedings of Meetings of the Council or the Committees thereof, and every Minute signed by the Chairman of the Meeting to which it relates or by the Chairman of a subsequent Meeting, shall be sufficient evidence of the facts therein stated.

22. All moneys payable to the Institute shall be paid by the Council or by the direction thereof into the account of the Institute at its Bankers, and all moneys payable by the Institute above the amount of £5 shall be paid by Cheques drawn upon its Bankers signed by two Members of the Council and countersigned by the Secretary, provided always that nothing herein contained shall prevent the Council placing in the hands of the Secretary or other officer such sum or sums as may be necessary to meet Salaries or Petty Expenses.

23. All funds of the Institute not needed immediately for the ordinary purposes of the Insti-