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Guidelines for Honorary Life Membership

The Club Constitution (Rule 6) provides that recommendations for Honorary Life Membership are made by the Committee and put to a General Meeting and require the approval of a majority of votes cast at that meeting.

The Committee has adopted these guidelines for recommendations by the Committee for Honorary Life Membership. These guidelines are available to all members on request.

Criteria to be considered when proposing a member for recommendation include (but are not limited to) that member's contribution to:

- service to the Club with a minimum of 10 years
- playing
- coaching/managing
- administration of the Club

Process for proposing a member for recommendation:

- The Committee member proposing a member for recommendation shall present to the Committee full written details of the nominee's contributions in accordance with the criteria above (**proposal**)
- The proposal to be submitted to the Committee at least 3 months prior to the next General Meeting

Process for confirming recommendation for Honorary Life Membership:

- All proposals to the Committee to be verified by a person nominated by the Committee
- The proposal to be approved for recommendation must have no less than 90% support from the full Committee (where the nominee is a Committee member then 90% of the remaining Committee members)
- Once a proposal is approved by the Committee, all Committee members must support the decision
- The President will discuss the recommendation with the nominee as soon as possible after a recommendation is approved and if the nominee does not wish to proceed the recommendation shall be terminated
- All proposals and decisions on those proposals to be made "in Committee" and remain confidential to the Committee:
 1. until the proposal is accepted by the Committee; and
 2. the President has discussed the recommendation with the nominee; and
 3. the nominee has accepted the recommendation

Unsuccessful and rejected proposals are to remain confidential to the Committee
(to only be recorded in committee)

General

- The total number of Honorary Life Members to be generally limited to 3% of total membership as at 1 November in the year of recommendation
- Honorary Life Members may be called upon to assist with special projects or for guidance and advice
- The Club retains the right to remove (in accordance with Rule 10 of the Constitution) Honorary Life Membership for reprehensible actions by the Honorary Life Member in the Club or community