

Election of Chair

1. The first item of business at the annual meeting is the election of chair and the retiring chair presides for this.
2. Nominations for the position of chair will be taken, these can be sent to the proper officer in writing before the meeting or made orally at the meeting.
3. Voting will be by a show of hands. Each member, including the retiring chair, has a single vote.
4. Where more than two persons have been nominated for the position and none of those persons has received an absolute majority of votes in their favour, the name of the person having the least number of votes shall be struck off the list and a fresh vote taken. This process shall continue until a majority of votes is given in favour of one person. A tie in votes may be settled by the casting vote exercisable by the chair of the meeting.
5. The person elected shall make the declaration of acceptance of office and assume the position of chair. If the person elected is not present at the meeting, the Council may permit the declaration to be made before or at a later meeting in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, Section 83, Paragraph 4 (c), and the vice-chair shall take over as chair of the meeting.