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ARMENIAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF UNITED KINGDOM  
2017 ELECTION COMMITTEE

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18 July 2017

**Re: 2017 elections of the Armenian Community Council of United Kingdom**

Dear Compatriot

The Armenian Community Council of United Kingdom (ACC) appointed an Election Committee on July 17<sup>th</sup> 2017 to organise the Council election in accordance with the rules and procedures detailed in the Constitution of the Armenian Community Council of United Kingdom. The Election Committee (EC) hereby announces that the **closing date** of the ACC elections will be on **Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> February 2018**.

Further details regarding the election, including the postal ballot, application for candidature and all other relevant information will be provided in due course.

**Who Can Vote?**

All community members that fulfil the conditions of **clause 42** of the Constitution are eligible to vote in the election. (See below)

The Electoral Register will be displayed at the following locations from Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2017 to Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> of February 2018. It is the responsibility of every member to ensure that their details appear correctly on the register:

- St Yeghiche Church - Cranley Gardens, SW7 3BB
- N. Gulbenkian Hall - Iverna Gardens, W8 6TP
- Navasartian Centre -223 Northfield Avenue, London W13 9QU
- Hayashen - CAIA - 105A Mill Hill Road, Acton W3 8JF

**Who can stand as a candidate?**

All those wishing to stand as candidates for election are advised to settle any contribution arrears at the earliest opportunity and to familiarise themselves with **clause 44** of the ACC constitution. (See below).

All community members that have not paid their contributions for 2016 (or are not exempt from payment) but wish to participate in the election, are invited to make their payment by sending a cheque in the amount of £20 per person (payable to ACC) to: ACC P.O BOX 32219, London W5 1XX. Contribution payments must be received by 17 December 2017.

Extracts from the ACC Constitution relating to the electoral rules and procedures will be made available on the Council's website ([www.acc.org.uk](http://www.acc.org.uk)) from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of August 2017 . Alternatively, you may also obtain a copy from the EC at the above address.

We encourage all members to actively participate in the election.

Yours faithfully,

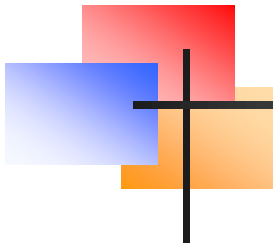
2017 Election Committee of the Armenian Community Council of GB

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## Relevant extracts from the ACC constitution

### **Clause 42 - Who can vote?**

All Registered Members of the Community who fulfil the following qualifications shall be enlisted in the Electoral Register and shall be eligible to vote :

The Registered Member should

(a) have been living in the U.K. and enlisted in the Community Register for at least 12 months prior to the date of closing of the electoral register in the year of election,

(b) have been 18 years of age on the declared date of election and in the event that an election is postponed, the postponed date shall not be taken into consideration.

(c) have paid, or have been exempted from paying, the annual community contribution for the year immediately prior to the year in which the elections are scheduled to take place. Only the first declared date of election shall apply in relation to this clause.

### **Clause 44 - Who can stand as a candidate?**

Registered Members of the Community who fulfil the following conditions will be entitled to stand as candidates for election to the Council:

(a) have been registered members of the Community for a period of at least four years by the 31<sup>st</sup> of December prior to the date of election, i.e.as a minimum must be in his/her fifth year of membership.

(b) have attained the age of 25 years 26 weeks prior to the first announced date of election and in the event that an election is postponed, the second postponed date shall not be taken into consideration.

(c) are Citizens of, or residents having leave of indefinite stay in, the United Kingdom,

(d) have paid the Community Contribution, or have been exempt from paying, for the current year if a demand has been issues by the Council and for the four immediate previous years, or settle the amount due for the current year if a demand has been issued by the Council, together with all arrears due (up to four years), not later than two weeks prior to the closing date of presentation of candidatures.

(e) have declared that they do not have a criminal record and are not disqualified from serving as a Trustee of a Registered Charity

