

7. Inclusion of Dispute Resolution Clause in Constitution

The Incorporated Societies Act 2022, which passed into law on 5 April 2022, significantly changes the way incorporated societies do their business.

One of the requirements of the Act is that societies must have a dispute resolution process. This was not included in previous legislation. We must have a dispute resolution process in place before we re-register under the new legislation (we have until 1 December 2025 to re-register). We are choosing to do that at this year's AGM.

Schedule 2 of the Incorporated Societies Act is entitled 'Optional Dispute Resolution Procedures'. The Act gives societies such as ours the option to adopt these procedures rather than prepare our own. Your committee has reviewed these procedures and is happy to recommend that PHANZA adopts them.

You can find the procedures [here](#).

If the meeting chooses to support the adoption of these procedures, the following clause will be entered into the constitution.

Disputes Resolution

Disputes will be resolved according to the procedures in Schedule 2 of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.