



Boundaries and Management

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What will it look like?

- 6 regions of 2-4 areas. Strategic leadership of the Association sits with national and regional level.
- Each region will have a single officer – The Regional Coordinator. This 3-year post has the functions listed below.
 - Membership of Strategic Leadership Team (SLT)
 - Taking communication from members in their region
 - Organising the annual regional event (contests, seminars, fun sessions)
- 18 areas each with 3-8 clubs. Practical management of the Association sits with clubs and areas.
- Area is the best level for education, development, special competitions, inter-club support, and growth initiatives.

Why this structure?

- Needs almost 100 fewer volunteers than our current structure which requires a third of our membership to sit on committees.
- Places responsibilities at the levels most likely to achieve change. Promising strategic initiatives from club members have often failed to reach the leadership due to our cumbersome structure. District level education, development, and growth initiatives have proved impossible to maintain due to costs and distances involved.
- Having two fewer contestants in each of our three national contests will free up time in the National Conference weekend for fresh innovations. After ASC growth, this was the second highest priority among members who responded to the consultation on the original reorganisation proposals.

How will this change our financial management?

- National capitation will stay at £25 while regional capitation will be standardised to £2.50 per member – a reduction on most current Districts.
- Capitations will be collected by the National Treasurer and distributed to the regions.
- With the savings made through having two fewer national contestants and two fewer members of the “top team”, capitation costs should not need to rise soon.

How was the membership involved in this?

- A comprehensive plan for complete reorganisation of the Association was shared with the entire membership along with a consultation and feedback process.
- At Edinburgh 2019, General Council voted overwhelmingly for NEC to evolve the original set of proposals for change and improvement in the Association. On the question of boundaries, the 6-region model was preferred to the 4-region model.
- Feedback was taken from every single area in the ASC to arrive at version 11. The progress of this work was transparently communicated through all member email, Facebook, District/Area officers, and the Speaker magazine.

<i>Region</i>	<i>Areas</i>	<i>Clubs</i>
Scotland 4 areas, 17 clubs	Highlands	Elgin Aberdeen Inverurie
	Tayside	Arbroath Perth Strathmore
	East Central Scotland	Denny Edinburgh Kirkcaldy Dunfermline
	Western Scotland	Cowal Dunoon Greenock Renfrew District Hamilton Glasgow
Western 3 areas, 18 clubs	West Pennine	Blackburn Castle Bolton Burnley & District Clitheroe Wigan & District BAE Air Sector
	West Pennine	Carlisle & District West Cumbria Fylde Garstang Morecambe and Lancaster Wyre South Lancaster
	South Pennine	Liverpool North Cheshire Peterloo Stockport Ladybrook Stockport
Eastern 2 areas, 9 clubs	Yorkshire and North East	Tyneside York Wetherby Sheffield Newcastle
	Yorkshire Dales	Wharfedale Bradford Craven Halifax & Huddersfield

Midlands 3 areas, 14 clubs	South West Midlands	Sans Souci Solihull Leamington Spa Stourbridge Sutton Coldfield
	North Midlands	Derby & District Loughborough & Charnwood Lincoln Newark Nottingham
	South East Midlands	Barwell Cedars Leicester Lutterworth Market Harborough
South West 2 areas, 8 clubs	Cotswolds and Wessex	Devon & Somerset Dorset Melksham Swindon
	Wales	Cardiff Mixed Cardiff Newport Porthcawl
South East 4 areas, 13 clubs	East Anglia	Bury St Edmunds Colchester Felixstowe Ipswich Sudbury Adastral Park
	South	Horsham Redhill & Reigate
	Kent	Chaucer Thanet West Kent
	London	Wimbledon Bletchley
Online and Corporate 3 clubs	Sainsburys Online Club (Zoom) Nomura	