



**MEETING OF THE SHOWS LIAISON COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON  
MONDAY 13 MAY 2019 AT 11AM IN THE BOARDROOM, THE  
KENNEL CLUB, CLARGES STREET - AGENDA**

**ITEM 1. TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN FOR THE REMAINING TERM OF THE  
COUNCIL**

**ITEM 2. TO ELECT A VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE REMAINING TERM OF  
THE COUNCIL**

**ITEM 3. TO ELECT A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE SHOW EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE FOR THE REMAINING TERM OF THE COUNCIL**

**ITEM 4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**ITEM 5. PRESENTATION TO THE COUNCIL ON KENNEL CLUB STRUCTURES  
AND PROCEDURES**

The office will give a presentation to Council representatives giving details of the Kennel Club and Liaison Council structure and procedures and the role of Council representatives.

**ITEM 6. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY 11 APRIL 2018 (PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED)**

**ITEM 7. RESULTS OF RECOMMENDATIONS – MEETING WEDNESDAY  
11 APRIL 2018 ROTATION OF GROUP DAYS**

**Proposal:** That all General Championship Shows should be required to rotate their Group days regardless of their status.

**Outcome:** The proposal was referred to the Shows Executive Committee, an update will be provided at the meeting.

**Scottish Open Shows**

**Proposal:** That Regulation F5.b be updated for a trial period of two years so that Scotland and Cornwall can be exempt from the 4 per class average in order for a society to hold a second Open Show. The Council proposed that the class average be set at 3.5 in line with Northern Ireland.

**Outcome:** The proposal was referred to the Shows Executive Committee, an update will be provided at the meeting.



### **Vulnerable Breeds**

**Proposal:** That breed judging appointments for Vulnerable Breeds at Crufts should be offered to breed specialists where possible.

**Proposal:** That the selection process for the Vulnerable Breeds Competition qualifiers is reviewed.

**Outcome:** The proposals have been passed to the Crufts Committee for consideration, the Council is requested to note the qualification for the Vulnerable Breeds Competition will remain unchanged for Crufts 2020 but will be reviewed for 2021.

### **Amount of breeds judged per day**

**Proposal:** That Championship show Judges should be restricted to judging a maximum of four breeds per day, with a maximum of two breeds with Challenge Certificates on offer. Group, Variety, and Imported Register classes would not be included. This would allow a Judge to judge 16 breeds over a four day show including eight breeds with Challenge Certificates on offer.

**Outcome:** The proposal was referred to the Judges Committee for consideration, an update will be provided to the Council in due course.

### **Suitable tables**

**Proposal:** That Societies should be reminded of Kennel Club Regulation F(1)4.f as many Societies do not provide the correct tables.

**Outcome:** A press release was issued by the office and Field Officers have been made aware of this.

## **ITEM 8. PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL ON JUDGES COMPETENCY FRAMEWORK AND OPEN SHOWS**

The Council will receive a presentation by the office with an update on the Judges Competency Framework and Open Shows.

## **ITEM 9. PROPOSALS FROM INDIVIDUALS**

**Proposed: Mrs A E Moss**

1. The new criteria of 1 – 4 in each Group and Puppy Group should be in addition to the previous criteria of BOB in Breeds judged by B list judges (or Level 2 Judges under the new system).
2. Whether or not rule changes published after the printing of a schedule, but coming into force before the date of a show, should be taken into account by Field Officers attending those shows, and whether any reference to this needs to be made in the items requiring attention at future shows section of the Field Officer's report.

## **ITEM 10. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Proposed: Mrs E Webster**

1. That a Champions class be scheduled in all breeds at Championship Shows as there is a view that many worthy exhibits are being prevented from gaining their titles due to multi CC winners looking for



records. Winners of such classes would not be eligible to compete for the Challenge Certificate (CC) but would be eligible to compete for Best of Sex and all further competitions.

2. There should be a system whereby a set number of Reserve Challenge Certificates may become one Challenge Certificate.

**Proposed: Mr P Broadbent**

1. Mr Broadbent would like to discuss whether the Council could have an input on recent and upcoming changes to regulations.

2. How the Council can be involved in maintaining a connection with potential new exhibitors.

**Proposed: Mr S Bennett**

1. Judges who have passed any form of breed-specific assessment under the current judging system or the Judges Competency Framework, and have successfully completed all other JCF requirements, but are unable to achieve the requirements of the current judging system to award CCs, or make use of the 'grandfathering' option would need to pass another assessment under JCF.

Could the previously passed hands-on assessment be accepted for progression to JCF Level 4?

This would allow more judges in the interim to progress and assist in the transition period between the current judging system and JCF, as well as speeding up the process of Judges awarding CCs.

## **ITEM 11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Please give at least two weeks advance notice of matters to be raised under 'Any Other Business' as this assists the office if research is required. These items are discussed at the discretion of the Chairman.

## **ITEM 12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

An announcement confirming the date of the next meeting will be confirmed in September 2019.



## **NOTES:**

1. The Kennel Club will reimburse standard rail fares to all representatives attending the meeting, from their addresses as recorded at the Kennel Club. Claim forms will be available at the meeting.
2. Those resident in Northern Ireland or Scotland may apply in advance for authority to substitute shuttle air travel for standard rail fare, although it is requested that tickets are booked well in advance to take advantage of any reduction in fares.
3. Please give advance notice of matters to be raised under Any Other Business. This assists the Office if research is required. These items are discussed at the discretion of the Council Chairman.
4. Kennel Club Liaison Council Regulations state that the Kennel Club will bear the cost of all reasonable and externally incurred costs connected with a Council, if agreed in advance. Therefore, representatives should apply to the Kennel Club for approval of any costs they may wish to claim prior to the expense being incurred.

## **THE KENNEL CLUB'S MISSION STATEMENT AND STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**

**'The Kennel Club is the national body which exists to promote the general improvement, health and well-being of all dogs through responsible breeding and ownership' this is to be achieved through:-**

- **Promoting the Kennel Club as the leading national organisation for referral and advice regarding all canine related matters.**
- **Encouraging the responsible breeding of pedigree dogs.**
- **Encourage the responsible ownership of dogs.**
- **Facilitating the breeding of healthy dogs**
- **Promoting the positive benefits of dogs in society.**
- **Promoting and regulating canine activities and competitions.**
- **Providing opportunities for education and training through Kennel Club led initiatives.**
- **Investing in canine health and welfare.**
- **Engaging with the wider dog owning audience/fraternity.**