



26 WEEK MOTIONS

For the Spiritualists' National Union Annual General Meeting 2026

Below are the 26-week motions received and accepted for inclusion on the agenda of the 2026 SNU Annual General Meeting. These also include motions that were received and accepted for the 2025 AGM but, due to an administrative error at the time, were not able to be voted on.

1. Special Resolution requiring three-quarters majority

That Bye-laws Section A, paragraph 27, as amended and issued on 20 August 2024, be amended by the deletion of sub-paragraph (3), 'All items of general business shall be notified to the Chairperson before the commencement of the meeting.' **-Minister Trevor Rushforth**

2. Special Resolution requiring three-quarters majority

That Bye-laws Section A, paragraph 28, as amended and issued on 20 August 2024, be amended by the deletion of sub-paragraphs (1), (a) to (f) inclusive:

(1) The Chairperson shall have the following powers in relation to the meeting:-

- (a) To permit non-members to attend and speak where the Chairperson considers that this will help the business of the meeting.
- (b) (i) To exclude one or more members or non-members at any time from part or all of the meeting in the event of disorder or refusal to obey the orders or rulings of the Chairperson, with no right of appeal;

(ii) To exclude one or more non-members at any time from part or all of the meeting if the Chairperson considers that publicity would be prejudicial to the Union's interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, with no right of appeal.
- (c) To adjourn the meeting for such period of time as the Chairperson decides.
- (d) To restrain the use of irrelevant or offensive language.
- (e) To stop prolonged discussion on any matter.
- (f) To choose which notified items of general business to accept or reject as not being appropriate for raising at the meeting.

-Minister Trevor Rushforth

3. That the National Executive Committee be requested to consider the language of the Seven Principles in the present day and explore ideas of updating and supplementing the Principles, which remain the guiding discipline and edicts of SNU Spiritualism. **-Edinburgh Association of Spiritualists**

4. That the National Executive Committee be requested to amend the Rules for Churches to provide that a person who is removed from a position on a Church Committee shall also have their Church membership revoked. **-Lynn Edwards**