## **DOOLEYS Lidcombe Catholic Club Limited**

## Elections By-law - differential terms of office

## (By-law 2025-03)

- 1. This By-law applies to each election of directors of DOOLEYS.
- 2. This By-law is made pursuant to rule 50 of the Club's Constitution and all other powers enabling.
- 3. If a casual vacancy on the Board has been filled in the period prior to an AGM, then under the triennial rule that may create a vacancy to be filled at the AGM for a term of less than three years.
- 4. In that case the following provisions apply referring to a vacant position for a term of less than three years as a "shorter term", and if there is more than one such vacancy to be filled at the AGM referring to those vacant positions as the "shorter terms".
- 5. All candidates in the election are eligible for election to all of the vacant positions, including any shorter term.
- 6. There is no scope for a candidate to choose to nominate specifically for a term of three years or for any available shorter term.
- 7. If there needs to be a ballot then the successful candidates in descending order of the number of votes received will fill first the three-year term positions that are up for election and then the shorter term positions and if there is more than one shorter term position and the shorter term positions are of different lengths, then the longest is filled first and so on.
- 8. In the case of any tied vote between candidates and to the extent necessary, the Returning Officer by drawing lots will determine, from amongst the candidates who received tied votes, how to fill the positions available to those candidates.
- 9. If there does not need to be a ballot then:
  - (a) the available positions are filled according to the then-longest continuous time that each candidate who is a retiring director, has held office in the period immediately up to the date of the particular AGM, in descending order filling the three-year term positions first and then any shorter term positions in descending order of length; and
  - (b) when necessary to decide between any candidates with equal relevant continuous previous time (or no relevant previous time) in office, the Returning Officer by drawing lots will determine, from amongst those candidates, how to fill the positions available to those candidates.
- 10. So that there is no doubt this By-law replaces By-law 2025-02.

Adopted by circulating resolution 27<sup>th</sup> August 2025.