

**CONSTITUTION OF  
BIRMINGHAM LOCAL MEDICAL COMMITTEE  
10<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
Established 1913**

**1. PREAMBLE**

This document sets out the Constitution of the Birmingham Local Medical Committee (hereinafter referred to as 'the Committee'), for the area of Birmingham City Council (hereinafter referred to as '**the Area**').

For as long as the Committee is recognised by NHS England as being representative of the general medical practitioners (GPs) in the Area, this Constitution shall not be rendered invalid by changes to the structures and boundaries of the NHS.

For the avoidance of doubt, it is recognised that some aspects of this amended Constitution shall take proper effect as of [DATE] 2026. Any amendments pertinent to changes, in relevant legislation, are made to that effect where that legislation comes into effect on that date.

**2. DEFINITIONS**

<b>Act</b>	The National Health Service Act 2006.
<b>Area</b>	As per the definition in paragraph 1 of clause 1.
<b>Administrative Expenses</b>	Includes travelling and subsistence allowances payable to members of the Committee.
<b>BMA</b>	The British Medical Association.
<b>Committee</b>	The Birmingham Local Medical Committee recognised by the ICB as formed for the Area and representative of all GPs as defined in section 91 of the Act (or subsequent amendments) and providing primary medical services in the Area.
<b>Co-opted Member</b>	Has the meaning given in clause 6.1.b of this Constitution.
<b>The Company</b>	Birmingham Local Medical Committee Ltd.
<b>Elected Members</b>	Has the meaning given in clause 6.1.a of this Constitution.
<b>First Meeting</b>	This is the first meeting of the Committee which takes place following the four yearly elections.

<b>GPC</b>	The General Practitioners Committee of the BMA.
<b>ICB</b>	The body corporate known as an Integrated Care Board, established in accordance with Chapter A3 of Part 2 of the Health and Care Act 2022.
<b>Medical Register</b>	The list of Registered Medical Practitioners compiled and held by the General Medical Council.
<b>Member</b>	A person elected or co-opted onto the Committee in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution, together with the Secretary who shall be a non-voting Member.
<b>NHS England</b>	The commissioning organisation, recognised in the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (or successive Acts) as the 'NHS Commissioning Board' and renamed as 'NHS England' in the Health and Care Act 2022, on behalf of the NHS, and responsible for commissioning primary care services from, and holding contracts with, practices or organisations providing primary medical services (including single handed GPs) or any successor organisation.
<b>Officers of the Committee</b>	The Chair, the Vice-Chair, the Treasurer and the Secretary(ies).
<b>Performers Lists</b>	The lists maintained by NHS England of medical practitioners providing primary medical services (as defined in section 91 (3) of the Act).
<b>Register</b>	A combined Register of constituents and Members which shall be maintained and sub-divided as necessary for administrative purposes.
<b>Represented GP</b>	All GPs, as defined in Section 91 of the Act, performing primary medical services in the Area.
<b>Returning Officer</b>	A person whose name is not included on any part of the Register of Members invited by the Committee to act, in person or through a deputy, at elections for Members.

**Primary Care Network**

A group of practices who together have signed up to a network contract directed enhanced service, and who, as a result, have a network agreement in place, as approved by the ICB.

**Secretary(ies)**

A person or persons elected and/or employed under clauses 8.8 and 12.

**3. RECOGNITION**

In accordance with section 97 of the Act as amended by paragraph 41, Part 4 of Schedule 4 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (and any subsequent amendments), NHS England formally recognises the Committee formed for its Area. For the avoidance of doubt, the Committee is also independently recognised as a trade association and has the relevant authority to act on behalf of its constituents as set out in this Constitution.

**4. FUNCTIONS**

For the avoidance of doubt, the Committee shall represent its constituents in any given relevant capacity in the Area, which shall include, without limitation, the following:

- i. as providers and/or performers of primary care medical services, secondary care medical services and any other service commissioned by any commissioner or other public body within the Area or otherwise, whether within a medical practice or a Primary Care Network;
- ii. in their capacity as members of an ICB or members of a governing body of an ICB;
- iii. as shareholders and/or members of any provider arm organisation created for the purposes of bidding and/or tendering for primary care or secondary care services by any commissioner or other public body within the Area or otherwise;
- iv. practice managers working within a medical practice (as defined in 4(i) above) within the Area;
- v. salaried GPs and/or sessional GPs working within a medical practice (as defined in 4(i) above) within the Area.

Save where the Committee shall otherwise determine, the representation and services provided by the Committee shall not be provided to any constituent where a practice-based levy payment is not received by the Committee from a medical practice to which the constituent is either a provider, performer or employee.

**5. INTERPRETATION**

The clause headings shall be taken into account in the interpretation of this Constitution and where the context so requires: -

- the male gender shall be deemed to include the female gender and vice versa;
- the singular number shall include the plural number and vice versa; and

- references to statutes or parts or sections of statutes shall include any statutory modifications or re-enactments thereof or any regulations, orders or directions made thereunder for the time being in force.

## **6. THE COMMITTEE**

### **6.1 The Committee shall consist of:**

#### *a. Elected Members*

A minimum of 15 and maximum of 25 Represented GPs from within the Area which shall consist of at least:

- One Partner of a practice holding a General Medical Services Contract
- One sessional GP
- One salaried GP

from **each** of the four localities as set out in Appendix A. In the event of a shortfall of candidates from any locality, eligible member(s) shall be entitled to be co-opted onto the Committee.

Elected Members shall, subject to the next following clause and to the temporary absence and disqualification provisions in clauses 6.5 and 6.6, be elected in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution, and the persons so elected shall be called "Elected Members". Where the context so requires the expression "Elected Members" shall include those persons co-opted to fill a vacancy in accordance with clause this clause and clause 6.3.

A Represented GP's eligibility to stand for election shall, in addition to the temporary absence and disqualification provisions in clauses 6.5 and 6.6, be dependent on his having provided or performed primary medical services for an average of 2 clinical sessions per week for at least six months in the appropriate local geographical area and whose related practice, having paid, at the time of his nomination, all current statutory and/or voluntary levies due to the Committee together with any arrears that may be outstanding and the Returning Officer shall verify the fact of such payment before circulating electors who are not disqualified with election nomination papers.

#### *b. Co-opted Members*

The Committee may in its absolute discretion co-opt individuals onto the Committee on such terms as it sees fit, provided always that the number of co-opted Members does not exceed one quarter of the number of the Elected Members:

Those individuals may fall within the following categories:

- One practitioner nominated by the medical staff of hospitals within the Area in such manner as the medical staff of those hospitals shall decide. Committee;
- One Director from Public Health for Birmingham City Council;
- Up to two practitioners with a particular class of experience not otherwise represented on the Committee;
- Two representatives of practitioners undergoing training for general practice in the Area;

- v. Up to two practice managers from a practice in the Area.

The requirement to have paid the current levies together with any arrears shall not apply to sessional GPs or practice managers who are not personally expected to pay levies insofar that they are engaged or employed within a medical practice which pays all due levies, in the appropriate constituency area.

For the avoidance of doubt, co-opted members shall not be entitled to a vote.

c. Observers

The Committee may, in its absolute discretion, invite such persons as it thinks fit to attend the whole or part of any Committee meeting: observers do not have voting rights.

Invitations will normally be extended to the following:

- i. Members of the GPC of the BMA elected by the relevant constituency of the GPC, and is not otherwise a member of the Committee;
- ii. Chief Executive or appropriate Senior Director and Responsible Officer of NHS England, or successor organisation, with responsibility for Primary Care plus a non-Executive Director by invitation subject to the agenda, but not more than two should attend any one meeting;
- iii. No more than one practitioner nominated by the medical staff from hospital, mental health and community trusts within the Area in such manner as such medical staff may from time to time decide;
- iv. Chief Executive (or equivalent) and Chair or Accountable Officer (if they are not one or the same person) of the ICB or others whom the Committee feel may enhance the functioning of the Committee.

## 6.2 Term of Office

The Elected Members of the Committee shall hold office for four years and shall be eligible for re-election.

A Co-opted Member filling a vacancy on the Committee will serve from the time they are appointed to the Committee until the following election.

## 6.3 Vacancies

Where the number of persons elected under clause 6.1a is less than the number of persons mentioned in such clause by reason that no or insufficient qualified candidates have been nominated, the Committee may, as soon as possible after the election, co-opt persons who are not disqualified to fill the vacancies.

A casual vacancy will occur on: -

- Retirement, or
- the resignation, suspension or removal from the Performers Lists or death of an Elected Member of the Committee, or
- temporary absence (30 consecutive days or more) due to sickness or other similar circumstance (including maternity, adoption or paternity leave), or

- on the appointment of an Elected Member to the office of Secretary, or
- Disqualification as set out in clause 6.6.

Within three months, or as soon as possible thereafter, of such a vacancy occurring the Committee may fill the same by the co-option of a practitioner who as far as possible represents the same class of practitioners as the person in post prior to the vacancy arising. Such co-option shall carry the same rights as attached to the position filled unless otherwise determined by the Committee.

Pending the filling of any vacancy the proceedings of any Committee shall not be invalid by reason of such vacancy.

#### **6.4 Retirement**

A Member may retire on giving written notice delivered to the Secretary and the retirement shall take effect on the date specified in the notice if a date is given, or if not, on the date when the notice is received by the Secretary.

#### **6.5 Other absences**

Notwithstanding the provisions of clauses 6.3 and 6.6, if a Member is temporarily absent due to sickness or other similar circumstance (including maternity, adoption or paternity leave), he/she may return to fulfil a previous function/position on the Committee once his/her temporary absence is over.

#### **6.6 Disqualification**

A Member shall be disqualified if: -

- 6.6.1 He (being a GP) ceases to be a registered medical practitioner or is removed from the Medical Register.
- 6.6.2 He (being a GP) ceases to provide primary medical services under any primary medical services contract, or being a performer of such services whose name appears in the register either advises NHS England that he no longer wishes to be represented by the Committee or ceases to act as such a practitioner for a period in excess of 6 months within his appropriate constituency area (except for temporary circumstances set out in clause 6.5).
- 6.6.3 He (being a GP) has had his name removed from a Performers List and has not subsequently had his name included in such a list.
- 6.6.4 If within one month of receiving a due call he (being a GP) fails to pay to the Committee any current statutory or voluntary levy due to the Committee together with any arrears that may be outstanding.
- 6.6.5 He fails to disclose a pecuniary or other significant interest in a matter which is the subject of consideration at a meeting of the Committee and takes part in the consideration or discussion of that matter or votes on any question with respect to that matter or acts in any way contrary to the roles and responsibilities described in the 'Management of Interests' policy adopted from time to time by the Committee.

- 6.6.6 He fails to attend a meeting of the Committee for a period of three meetings unless the Officers of the Committee, excluding the absent Member, are satisfied that the absence was due to a reasonable cause and that the absent Member will be able to resume attending meetings of the Committee within such period as it considers reasonable.
- 6.6.7 The Member ceases to hold the office, employment or qualification which entitled him to be a Member.
- 6.6.8 The Member is disqualified from the Company under the bye-laws of the Company, or by general company law.
- 6.6.9 If (being a GP) the Member's registration with the General Medical Council is suspended he shall not be entitled to resume his membership of the Committee for the remainder of the period for which he was originally appointed but shall be permitted at the discretion of the Committee, to stand afresh in the next following election if the suspension has ended prior to the date when the Returning Officer sends a written notice of election to each elector.
- 6.6.10 If a Member (being a GP) is suspended from either the Medical Register or the Performers List, then he shall stand down from the Committee until determination of the enquiry leading to the suspension has been made. If there are no restrictions on his medical practice and he remains eligible to stand, he shall be permitted to stand afresh in the next following election if the suspension at the discretion of the Committee, has ended prior to the date when the Returning Officer sends a written notice of election to each elector.
- 6.6.11 If a Member, (in the opinion of the Committee) brings the Committee and/or the Company into disrepute or acts in a manner that is contrary to the interests of the Committee.

For the avoidance of doubt, this clause 6.6 shall also apply to the removal or suspension of the Officers of the Committee.

## **7. ELECTIONS**

### **7.1 Constituencies**

The Committee may if it wishes, divide the Area into a number of constituencies for administrative and electoral purposes. If it does so it shall use its best endeavours to ensure, across each constituency, the fair and equitable representation of each class of Represented GP.

### **7.2 Frequency of elections**

The Committee year shall run from the 1<sup>st</sup> October to the 30<sup>th</sup> September every year. Where an officer of the Committee or a member is elected or co-opted for a term of office (whether the term shall be one year or more), the said term shall conclude on the 30<sup>th</sup> September of the relevant year.

Save as provided in the case of a new Committee, the elections shall take place every four years in the same month in every fourth year and Elected Members shall commence their term of office on the next following 1 October.

### 7.3 Method

Voting shall be by electronic ballot of those eligible Represented GP's whose names appear in the Register on 1 January in each year that an election takes place and subject to the next following clause the persons who are so qualified and whose names are so included on such Registers are referred to as "the electors".

A Represented GP's shall not be eligible to vote in or stand in an election if he is disqualified under the provisions of clause 6.6 and as to the provisions of clause 6.6.4, the Returning Officer shall verify the fact of payment or otherwise before circulating qualified electors with election nomination papers.

The Returning Officer shall send notice by email of the election to each elector and such notice shall be sent so as to be delivered to the elector not less than 21 clear days before the date of the election.

Each notice shall: -

- state the date of the election;
- state the number of vacancies so as to ensure the fair and equitable representation respectively of Represented GP's on the Register;
- set out the categories detailed in paragraph 6.1.a and the minimum number of representatives required for each category;
- state the date by which nominations must be submitted to the Returning Officer;
- set out the nomination provisions, as set out below; and
- enclose a nomination form.

Each candidate may self-nominate and shall confirm that the candidate is prepared to accept office, or, each candidate shall be nominated by at least two electors from the same register and each nomination form shall be accompanied by a statement by the candidate, in writing that he/she is prepared to accept office.

If the number of nominated candidates qualified for election in each category where there are vacancies does not exceed the number of vacancies, the Returning Officer shall declare those candidates to be elected. In other cases, a vote shall be taken.

Each elector shall be entitled to cast a number of votes equal to the number of vacancies to be filled but may not cast more than one vote for any one candidate.

The Returning Officer shall prepare voting papers which shall contain a list of the candidates for whom the elector may vote together with a total number of votes which may be cast by each elector. The voting paper shall also specify the date of the election by which the voting paper must be returned to him and instructions on the voting process.

The Returning Officer may also disallow a voting paper if it does not comply with this Constitution or if it causes uncertainty as to the candidates for whom the elector desires to record his/her vote, save that the Returning Officer may in his absolute discretion treat a voting

paper so marked as valid for the purpose of any vote other than that in connection with which the uncertainty arises.

Voting papers received by the Returning Officer after the election date, are invalid.

The Returning Officer, after examining the voting papers and determining the validity of the votes, shall count the votes properly recorded (in accordance with the system approved by the Committee) and shall prepare a return for the candidates according to the number of votes which each has received, the person receiving the greatest number being placed highest in the return.

If the votes received by any two or more candidates are equal and the addition of one vote to any one such candidate would enable that candidate to be declared elected, the Returning Officer shall decide by lot which of the said candidates shall take the highest place.

Any question as to the validity of nomination or voting paper or otherwise in connection with an election, shall be determined by the Returning Officer, in his absolute discretion, and a decision of the Returning Officer shall be final and binding.

At the conclusion of the election the Returning Officer shall give notice in writing of the result to all candidates as soon as is reasonably practicable.

#### **7.4 Saving Provisions**

No election shall be invalid by reason of any mis-description or non-compliance with the provisions of this scheme or by reason of any miscount or of the non-delivery, loss or miscarriage in the course of post of any document required or authorised by this Constitution to be sent by email if the Returning Officer is satisfied that the election was conducted substantially in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution.

### **8. MEETINGS**

#### **8.1 First Meeting**

The Returning Officer shall give not less than seven days' clear notice to the Members of the time and place of the first meeting following elections. The Secretary shall inform the electors of the identity of each of the Members.

#### **8.2 Frequency of Meetings**

Meetings shall be held no less than twice a year.

#### **8.3 Quorum**

A quorum shall be one third of the Members, but if one third is not a whole number the next whole number above one third.

#### **8.4 Voting**

All Elected Members shall have voting rights on the Committee, an appointed Secretary may not vote. If at any Committee meeting there is an equality of votes, the presiding officer of the Committee shall have a second and casting vote. Save and except for any amendments to this Constitution as set out in clause 16.2, all decisions of the Committee shall be passed by way of a simple majority.

## **8.5 Observers**

The Committee may in its absolute discretion invite such persons as it thinks fit to attend the whole or any part of any Committee meeting.

## **8.6 In Camera**

The Committee may require all or any of the invited observers to withdraw from any meeting if it wishes to consider any business in camera.

## **8.7 Chair and Vice-Chair**

The Committee shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from amongst its number. If for any part of any meeting neither the Chair nor the Vice-Chair are present, the Committee shall elect another of their number to act as the presiding officer for the duration of that meeting.

## **8.8 Secretary**

The Committee shall, from time to time and for such period and upon such terms as they may determine, elect from amongst the Members a person to act as Secretary.

## **8.9 Treasurer**

The Committee shall elect a Treasurer from amongst its number.

## **8.10 Minutes**

The Chief Executive or Secretary on behalf of the Committee shall keep minutes of each meeting which shall be drawn up and submitted for agreement at the next meeting of the Committee where, if agreed, they shall be signed by the person presiding over it.

## **8.11 Amendments to clauses**

The Committee may in its absolute discretion vary, alter or amend any clauses within this Constitution insofar as they relate only to the manner in which such meetings are held.

# **9. COMMITTEES**

## **9.1 Executive**

The Committee may appoint an Executive Sub-Committee which shall comprise of: The Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary and up to 3 further Members of the Committee appointed so as to reflect the distribution and classes of Represented GP's in the Area.

The Executive Sub-Committee shall consider matters referred to it by the Committee and by the Officers of the Committee together with matters requiring consideration before the next scheduled meeting of the Committee.

The Executive Sub-Committee shall have power to act on behalf of the Committee between Committee meetings and shall circulate with the agenda for each Committee meeting minutes of its own meetings held since the circulation of the last Committee agenda.

A quorum for the Executive Sub-Committee shall be 3.

The Executive Sub-Committee shall have power to co-opt other such Members as may be necessary to assist with the Executive Sub-Committees duties.

## **9.2 Not used**

## **9.3 Statutory Functions of a Local Medical Committee**

The functions of a Local Medical Committee, in line with Part 13, NHS (GMS contract) Regulations 2015 (or equivalent PMS regulations or subsequent such NHS regulation) as set out below:

### **86.—(1) The functions of a Local Medical Committee which are prescribed for the purposes of section 97(8) of the Act(a) (Local Medical Committees) are—**

- (a) considering a complaint made to it by a medical practitioner against another medical practitioner specified in paragraph (2) who is providing services under a contract in the relevant area involving any question relating to the efficiency of those services;*
  - (b) reporting the outcome of the consideration of any such complaint to the Board where that consideration gives rise to concerns relating to the efficiency of the services provided under a contract;*
  - (c) making arrangements for the medical examination of a medical practitioner specified in paragraph (2), where the contractor or the Board is concerned that the medical practitioner is incapable of adequately providing services under the contract and the contractor or the Board requests that examination with the agreement of the medical practitioner concerned; and*
  - (d) considering the report of any medical examination arranged in accordance with subparagraph (c) and reporting in writing to that medical practitioner, the contractor and the Board about the capability of the medical practitioner to adequately provide services under the contract.*
- (2)** *the medical practitioner referred to in paragraphs (1)(a) and (c) above is a medical practitioner who is: -*
- (a) a contractor;*
  - (b) one of two or more persons practising in partnership which holds a contract; or*
  - (c) both a legal and beneficial shareholder in a company limited by shares which holds a contract.*
- (3)** *In this regulation “the relevant area” means the area for which the Local Medical Committee is formed.*

For the avoidance of doubt, these shall be the only functions of the Local Medical Committee.

## **9.4 Other**

The Committee shall have power from time to time to delegate any of their functions, with or without restrictions or conditions, to other sub-committees composed of Members of the

Committee. For the avoidance of doubt this does not affect or negate any statutory obligation in respect of the Committee under the Act.

## **10. ANNUAL REPORT**

In each year the Committee may prepare a report of their proceedings since the publication of the preceding report together with a statement of accounts and such report and statement shall be circulated to those whose names are listed in the Register not later than six months after the Committee shall have approved the same.

## **11. GENERAL AND EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS**

### **11.1 Frequency**

Not less than once in every year the Committee may convene a meeting of the Represented GP's.

### **11.2 Attendance**

In addition to the Represented GP's, such other persons as the Committee may in their absolute discretion determine, shall have the right to attend.

### **11.3 Disqualification**

A Represented GP who otherwise would be entitled to attend any General Meeting or any Extraordinary Meeting of the Committee shall be disqualified from doing so in the event the Represented GP falls within any of the criteria as set out in clauses 6.6 herein.

### **11.4 Business at General Meetings**

The following business may be transacted at a General Meeting: -

- the receipt and consideration of the Annual Report;
- together with such other business of which 14 days' notice has been given to the Committee and which the Committee in its absolute discretion accept as appropriate for discussion.

### **11.5 Extraordinary Meetings**

Upon the request by way of email of not less than 50 represented GPs who are not disqualified in accordance with this Constitution, the Committee may convene an Extraordinary Meeting on not less than 21 and not more than 28 days' notice. The only business that may be transacted at such a meeting is that specified in the written request to the Committee, a copy of which shall be circulated to all those who receive notice of the meeting.

## **12. THE SECRETARY**

### **12.1 Appointment**

The Committee shall, from time to time and for such period and upon such terms as they may determine, elect and/or employ a person to fulfil the role of Secretary. If a Secretary is not a Medical Practitioner, the Committee shall elect and/or employ a medical practitioner to act as a Medical Advisor and his name shall be notified to the constituents.

## **12.2 Functions**

The Committee shall maintain the Register and shall carry out such functions as the Committee from time to time requests.

## **13. FUNDING**

### **13.1 The Statutory Levy**

The Administrative Expenses of the Committee may be collected on a statutory basis from all constituents whose names appear on the Register (by way of a practice-based levy) and in line with policies agreed from time to time by the Committee. The Committee shall have absolute discretion as to how the levies are applied for the ultimate benefit of its constituents, as necessary from time to time.

### **13.2 The Voluntary Levy**

The Committee may raise an additional voluntary levy from constituents (by way of a practice-based levy) to cover its other expenses and in line with policies agreed from time to time by the Committee. The Committee shall have absolute discretion as to how the levies are applied for ultimate benefit of its constituents as necessary from time to time.

### **13.3 Collection**

The method of collection of the statutory levy and the voluntary levy shall be determined from time to time by the Committee.

### **13.4 Accounting**

The Committee shall maintain separate accounts for the statutory levy and the voluntary levy. The accounts for the statutory levy must clearly identify the statutory element paid by constituents (by way of a practice-based levy).

## **14. NOTICES**

Where a document is required to be sent to a constituent, it shall be deemed to have been duly sent if it was delivered or emailed to the address of the constituent shown respectively in the Register.

## **15. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

15.1. If an Officer of the Committee or a Member sits on or works for any stakeholder or relevant organisation or has a pecuniary or other significant interest, direct or indirect, in any contract, proposed contract, stakeholder or relevant organisation or other matter and is present at a meeting of the Committee when the contract, proposed contract, or other matter is the subject for consideration he shall at the meeting and as soon as practicable after its commencement disclose that fact and shall act in accordance with the Committee's conflict of interest policy as based on current national guidance on Conflict of Interests (or subsequent relevant guidance).

15.2. If any Officer of the Committee or a Member has any doubts about whether or not he has such an interest he shall report the matter to the Chair who shall advise as to whether or not the matter should be declared.

- 15.3. The Committee shall publish and maintain a 'Management of Interests' policy document which shall be available for inspection to Members and constituents.
- 15.4. Further, the Committee shall maintain a register of Members' interests available for inspection at the Company's registered office.

## **16. AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION**

This Constitution may be amended by the Committee in the following manner but not otherwise:

- 16.1. Proposals for such amendment shall be sent to the Secretary of the Committee who shall place them before the Committee for consideration at the earliest opportunity. In any event the Committee shall have 7 clear days' notice of such proposals before consideration of the same.
- 16.2. Once considered, and a decision as to the adoption of those proposals in whole or in part has been made, with a 2/3rds majority, the Secretary shall circulate the proposed amendments to the Constitution to all Elected Members for final comment within 28 days.
- 16.3. In the event that comments are received during the 28-day period, then consideration shall be given to the comments by the Secretary, who shall either dismiss the same, or further amend the Constitution.
- 16.4. The Committee shall, after due consideration of any comments received during the 28-day period, adopt the amended Constitution accordingly.
- 16.5. A proposal for an amendment of the Constitution may be submitted by not less than 20 represented GPs shown in the Register, who shall send the same to the Secretary, together with reasons for the proposed amendments. The Secretary shall place the proposal before the Committee at the earliest opportunity for consideration. The Committee shall not be obliged to consider the same until at least 7 clear days' notice of the proposals have been received by the Committee.
- 16.6. Upon consideration by the Committee at its next following meeting, the proposals shall either be rejected or adopted. If adopted, then the Constitution shall be amended accordingly. The decision of the Committee shall be final and there shall be no right of appeal. The Secretary shall notify the proposer of the original amendment of the decision of the Committee, and a report of the amendment or rejection shall be included in the next following Annual Report.
- 16.7. The Committee shall make available the new Constitution to its constituents as soon as practicable after approval.

## **17. WINDING UP**

If upon any amalgamation or reorganisation of the Committee there remain any residual funds or liabilities, the same shall be distributed between such other organisation undertaking the same or similar role as the Committee.

## APPENDIX A

### GEOGRAPHICAL CONSTITUENCIES 2025

For the purposes of ensuring balanced representation across Birmingham, the Committee shall require that, where possible, at least one elected member is drawn from each of the following four geographic groups of wards:



#### North

- Erdington
- Gravelly Hill
- Kingstanding
- Oscott
- Stockland Green
- Pype Hayes
- Perry Barr
- Perry Common
- Castle Vale
- Sutton Four Oaks
- Sutton Mere Green
- Sutton Reddicap
- Sutton Roughley
- Sutton Vesey
- Sutton Walmley & Minworth



#### South

- Bartley Green
- Billesley
- Bournbrook & Selly Park
- Bournville & Cotteridge
- Brandwood & Kings Heath
- Druids Heath & Monyhull
- Frankley Great Park
- Highters Heath
- Kings Norton North
- Kings Norton South
- Longbridge & West Heath
- Moseley
- Northfield
- Selly Oak
- Stirchley



#### East

- Acocks Green
- Alum Rock
- Bordesley Green
- Glebe Farm & Tile Cross
- Garretts Green
- Heartlands
- Shard End
- Sheldon
- South Yardley
- Stechford & Yardley North
- Small Heath
- Sparkbrook & Balsall Heath East
- Sparkhill
- Washwood Heath
- Bromford & Hodge Hill



#### West / Central

- Aston
- Edgbaston
- North Edgbaston
- Harborne
- Ladywood
- Handsworth
- Handsworth Wood
- Lozells
- Nechells
- Newtown
- Birchfield
- Holyhead
- Soho & Jewellery Quarter
- Quinton