

# **Proposed changes to the Constitution of East of England Liberal Democrats: Autumn 2009**

## **Filling casual vacancies**

### **Insert new:**

- 5.12 (a) Where a casual vacancy shall arise on a Committee, Sub-Committee or Working Group, the Regional Executive shall have power to fill the vacancy.
- (b) Where there is a casual vacancy in the chair of a body constituted under 5.1 or 5.3 above, the Regional Executive shall have the power to appoint a new chair: the new chair need not be a member of the relevant body at the time of appointment.
- (c) The Regional Executive shall have full discretion to determine the manner and extent of advertising for volunteers to fill such vacancies.

## **Changing Policy Committee to a two year term**

### **Amend 5.4 to include underlined section and delete the section crossed through:**

The Officers of the Regional Party shall have a duty to convene a preliminary meeting of each committee listed in 5.1 above to take place after 1 January after the Annual General meeting of the Regional Party at which the committee was open to election. The business of that meeting shall begin with the appointment of a Chair from amongst the members of the Committee (other than co-opted members), except that the Chair of Candidates Committee shall be elected by the Regional Conference. Further meetings ~~for the rest of the year~~ shall be convened by the relevant committee chair.

### **Add new:**

- 8.1A The term of office for all elections under 8.1 shall be, for terms of office beginning on or after 1 January 2010, two calendar years.

## **Correction of errors**

### **Amend:**

- 8.1(c) delete 'Two' and write 'Three'
- 10.1(a) delete 'Three' and write 'Four'.