

STOP OUT SPORTS CLUB INC

PROPOSES MOTION – MEMBERSHIP RULE CHANGE 2019

BACKGROUND

For over 100 years, Stop Out Sports Club originally hosted a variety of sporting codes as part of a wide and all-encompassing sports membership base. Today, Stop Out's focus is football.

Over the past 4 to 5 years, other sporting codes have based themselves at Hutt Park over the summer months to use the grounds and changing facilities at Hutt Park. The growing presence of these summer codes also affords opportunity for Stop Out to share our club rooms and bar which has been well accepted by AFL who now base themselves at Hutt Park. The ever increasing popularity of Touch is also very obvious.

In addition, recent changes to Bar Licencing Regulations now requires Clubs to ensure appropriate attention is made to proving membership as well as formal signing in of non-Club members EACH TIME they use our facilities.

As a consequence of these recent events, the Committee has recognised an opportunity to establish a new "Affiliate" Membership category which will allow access to Stop Out's facilities for regular participants from other sporting codes who frequent Hutt Park. The advantages for Affiliate Members are:

- Patrons from other sporting codes will not have to sign in each time they enter the Clubrooms
- Patrons from other Sporting codes will pay a nominal Affiliate Membership fee.
- Patrons will enjoy the facilities Stop Out provides

The advantages for Stop Out are:

- Increased membership from a sponsorship and grant funding perspective
- Stop Out is afforded the opportunity to derive additional income
- Further raising the profile of Stop Out within the greater Wellington Region and nationally.

It is also proposed that **Affiliate Members will not be granted voting rights.**

PROPOSED MOTION

It is proposed that Stop Out Sports Club Incorporated establishes a new "Affiliate" Membership Category. Affiliate Members will:

- Pay a nominal membership fee to be calculated annually by the Committee.
- Be afforded access to Stop Out Club rooms and bar facilities.
- Be a non-voting member of Stop Out Sports Club Incorporated.

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Neil Kemp, Chairman