1. Registered address is changed from Scomo to PAS
2. Reference to LSC is changed to LAA
3. Eligibility for election to EC of the APL (open to those holding LAA supervisory standard) is expanded to those who have “developed their own practice in this area and satisfy … the Executive Committee by way of producing relevant evidence of experience”
4. The APL will not have a President, but a Chair appointed annually at the general meeting, eligible for reappointment
5. The EC will consist of a chair, secretary, treasurer and two (not eight) other members elected at the AGM. The requirement that two members from the same organisation cannot serve at any one time is deleted.
6. New clause that there will be two permanent positions to the EC for representatives of The Prisoners’ Advice Service and The Howard League. (*In addition to the 5 above?)*
7. New clause that the Executive Committee are committed to developingnew members’ election to the committee. If a member wishes, who is not able to satisfy the requirements at Paragraph 6(a) or 40(e) above may at the discretion of the chair be nominated to stand in an election to join the Executive committee
8. Annual general meeting to be held in July 2009 deleted.
9. The clause that the office of a member of the EC shall be vacated if he/she becomes bankrupt is removed. The amended clause states the office be vacated if the member has been suspended or excluded from the practice of Prison Law by their professional regulator.
10. **AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION**
11. If considered necessary by the Executive Committee a working/steering group of the membership may be assigned to review the terms of the Constitution and recommend proposals to amend the Constitution. The Chair of the Executive Committee will be the Chair of this working group.
12. The working group will meet as many times as considered necessary by the Chair. If this working group recommends changes to the Constitution then the proposed draft shall be sent to the Secretary of the Association who will, upon receipt, set a date for a Special Meeting with the Executive Committee within 6 weeks.
13. The Executive Committee will discuss the proposals and decide, by a majority of votes of the Executive Committee whether to recommend the Members accept the new proposals.
14. If the Executive Committee does not accept the new proposals then the Working group will cease.
15. If the Executive Committee recommend the proposals to the Members then they will be sent to all Members to vote upon. In order for the proposal to be adopted at the next AGM a majority of 60% of the votes must agree for the proposals to be adopted and for the Constitution to be adopted.