UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH GRADUATES' ASSOCIATION PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE AGM OF UEGA IN 2025.

The Executive Committee propose to the AGM 2025 that the present Constitution be amended in the following terms. Explanatory notes for each point are given after the proposals.

1. Name: In paragraph 1 of the Constitution, **the name of the Association is changed** by deleting "The University of Edinburgh Graduates' Association" and substituting therefore "The *University of Edinburgh Journal* Association".

Explanatory Note: The Executive Committee propose this amendment to reflect the current situation, in which the Association has as its main purpose, the publication of the *Journal*. In recent years, lunches and other events have not attracted a good number of participants, and it is thus intended to concentrate on the main issue. Further, it is perceived that the use of the title "Graduates" in present times has caused some confusion between the profile of our Association and the Development & Alumni Department of the University.

2. Membership: In paragraph 3 (3) of the Constitution, **there shall be added**, after the word "subscribes" the following: "to the *University of Edinburgh Journal*, and".

Explanatory Note: For future purposes, the Executive Committee, and other bodies across the University community, are to undertake an intensive campaign to promote subscriptions to the *Journal*, in line with the ethos mentioned above. This amendment enables subscribers to be Associate Members of the Association.

- **3. Meetings:** In paragraph 6 (4) of the Constitution, **there shall be deleted** "(except in the case of members whose addresses are deemed by the Hon. Secretary too remote to be effective)".
- **4. Meetings:** In paragraph 6 (4) of the Constitution, **the following shall be added**:
- (a) Delete "two weeks" and insert therefore "at least three weeks"
- (b) Add "Any General Meeting, Executive Meeting, or lecture may be entirely virtual meetings, hybrid meetings, or meetings in person, as the circumstances allow. A virtual meeting is one where arrangements have been made in advance to allow participants to attend the meeting by means of a conference telephone, video link, or similar means of electronic communication at which all participants can be heard and can hear each other without the need for them to be physically present at the same location. A person participating in a meeting by such means shall be deemed to be attending virtually. A hybrid meeting is a meeting at which members may attend virtually as above or in person "

Explanatory Note: The proposals under headings 3 and 4 are intended to bring up to date the administrative arrangements for the meetings of the Association, in line with modern practice, and bearing mind that a large cohort of the members lives beyond the Central Belt of Scotland.