

# **MOTIONS FOR TABLING AT THE VFMC'S 2023 AGM**

## **CLUB RULES**

### **Motion**

**“That the Victorian Folk Music Club make available to all members a list of current Club Rules which exist in addition to the Club’s Constitution”.**

### **Rational for motion**

Over the years, in addition to the Club’s Constitution, the Club has introduced a number of Club (or local) Rules which are not widely known by the majority of Club members. As all Club members are required to abide by the Club’s Rules, it is imperative that these rules be made readily available to members to ensure compliance. A benefit of having Club Rules is that they can be amended from time to time without the legal requirements and associated expense involved in amending the Club’ Constitution.

## **AMPLIFICATION**

### **Motion**

**“That the Victorian Folk Music Club permits and provides amplification for performers and comperes at Club concerts”.**

### **Rational for motion**

Over recent months, complaints have been received from Concert patrons regarding their inability to properly hear and appreciate artists’ performances and narrations. This problem could be caused by a number of factors including an ageing audience whose hearing has become less acute, the acoustics of the venue, the inability of performers to effectively project their voice, instrumental accompaniment masking vocals etc. Most performers are now accustomed to using amplification and the provision of same could attract new and talented performers who have been reluctant to perform at Club concerts because of the current amplification prohibition. As new artists would have their own following of fans/supporters, the engagement of same could well result in increased audiences as well as an increased awareness of the Club. Failure to provide audience satisfaction could prove to be detrimental to the Club.

## **ZOOM FACILITIES**

### **Motion**

**“That at least one of the Victorian Folk Music Club’s “Round Robin” session be held without the provision of Zoom facilities”.**

### **Rational for motion**

Whilst in the past, “Round Robin” sessions provided an opportunity for members to both perform and appreciate the performances of fellow members in a pleasant and friendly atmosphere, the projection of song lyrics and scores onto a wall has become a dominant and detracting factor, making these sessions less pleasurable, and resulting in several longstanding

and talented members ceasing to attend The Club recently discontinued Zoom facilities at its “All-In” sessions.