**General Announcements Comms re: CRC Second Interim Report and Draft Constitution to be sent out on 17 July 2017**

As you will have seen from the Constitutional Review Committee’s (CRC) latest bulletin, the Blind Foundation website and the telephone Information service, the CRC is making available its second interim report which sets out the decisions it has reached to-date together with the underlying rationale behind these decisions.  The second amended draft constitution and the current constitution are also available on request.

The CRC is interested in all feedback on the latest draft constitution and is equally interested to know whether the second interim report reflects and covers all the proposed changes adequately.

You can submit your feedback in the following ways:

* email your views to [CRCFeedback@BlindFoundation.org.nz](mailto:CRCFeedback@BlindFoundation.org.nz)
* Record your submission on the Telephone Information Service, option **3 1 5 3**.
* Post your submission in your preferred format to Jane Moore, Board Secretary, Blind Foundation, Private Bag 99941, Newmarket, and Auckland 1149.

Any feedback/comments on the documents must be submitted by **Monday 14 August 2017**.

We recognise that it can be helpful for members to exchange points of view on a matter like this. To that end, we’re pleased to advise that Blind Citizens New Zealand has agreed to encourage discussion on the Blind Discuss email list it operates. To join, send a blank email to [abcnz-blinddiscuss-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:abcnz-blinddiscuss-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).

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We also propose holding a telephone conference call on **10 August** where you can still influence our thinking. Participation will be open to anyone who would like to have dialogue with the Committee directly. Please contact the Board Secretary for further details.

If you would prefer to receive these reports in a different format, please let Jane Moore know at [jamoore@blindfoundation.org.nz](mailto:jamoore@blindfoundation.org.nz) or telephone **0800 24 33 33**.  The current Constitution adopted in 2014 can also be found on our website by clicking on the following link <https://blindfoundation.org.nz/about-us/who-we-are/governance/#Constitution> or on the Foundation’s telephone information service menu option **3 1 5 1**.  Alternatively, if you would like to receive a copy in your preferred format, again please let Jane know.

We thank you for taking the time to be part of this important process.

Regards

Constitutional Review Committee

**Draft Comms to BSFANZ re: CRC 2nd Interim Report and Draft Constitution to be sent out on 17 July 2017**

**Please pass on to your members**

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We look forward to hearing your thoughts and thank you once again for taking the time to be part of this important process.

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Constitutional Review Committee