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Welcome.

to the August 2026 Notice to Members

I would like to extend a warm invitation to all members to attend this year's British Limousin Cattle Society Annual General Meeting on 16 September.

The AGM provides an important opportunity to reflect on the Society's achievements over the past year, hear about our plans for the future, and take part in the governance of your Society.

Enclosed with this Notice is important information relating to the AGM. This includes the Annual Trustees' Report and Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for 2025. 2025 was to be a year of financial stabilisation for the Society, and I am pleased to report this objective was successfully achieved. At year end, the Society's net asset value stood at £3.32 million. Net income for the year totalled £1.05 million, while expenses reduced on the year by £190,000, resulting in an overall surplus of £213,000. Looking ahead to 2027, these strengthened finances will allow further investment in key member priorities, including young breeder development and expanded DNA support.

The forthcoming Annual General Meeting will also include a number of special resolutions to support our continued transition towards digital communications and modernising the way Council operates. Full details are included within this Notice to Members and I encourage all members to take the opportunity to read them. Thank you for your continued support as we make these important changes, and please ensure your email address is up to date on your Taurus account so that you continue to receive Society communications promptly.

Also enclosed with this Notice are the draft minutes of the Society's 54th Annual General Meeting, held on 17 September 2025, together with a proxy form for members wishing to appoint a proxy to vote at the 55th Annual General Meeting on 16 September 2026

We look forward to welcoming you to Concorde House for the Society's 55th AGM.

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Notice & Agenda.

of the 55th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the British Limousin Cattle Society Ltd

Notice is hereby given that the 55th Annual General Meeting of the British Limousin Cattle Society (the ‘Society’) will be held at the Society’s office (24 Warwick New Road, Leamington Spa, CV23 5JG) on Wednesday 16th September 2026 at 11am for the purposes of considering the matters set out below (items 1 to 6 are ordinary resolutions, item 7 is a special resolution):

Agenda

Ordinary Resolutions

1. Confirming and signing the minutes of the 54th Annual General meeting held on 17th September 2025
2. Receiving the Annual Report of the Council of Management
3. Receiving the Annual Report of the Chairman of Council
4. Receiving and adopting the Annual Accounts and the Auditors’ Report thereon for the 12 months ended 31st December 2025
5. Receiving the names of members nominated and subsequently elected to the Council of Management
6. Appointing the Auditors at a fee to be fixed by the Council of Management

Special Resolution

7. That the draft articles of association submitted to the meeting and for the purpose of identification signed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby approved and adopted as the articles of association in substitution for and to the exclusion of all the existing articles of association of the Society. See details of the proposed changes below.

   At the close of formal business of the Annual General Meeting the following item will be dealt with:

8. To receive questions submitted by members in writing to the Society’s office or email info@limousin.co.uk by noon on Friday 11th September 2026.

Dated: 17 July 2026

By Order of the Council of Management

Keith Redpath

Acting Chairman,
British Limousin Cattle Society

Proposed ***Changes.***

to the BLCS Memorandum and Articles of Association by Special Resolution at the 2026 AGM:

The Council of Management has resolved to recommend the proposed amendments to the Society's Memorandum and Articles of Association, as highlighted in ***yellow font*** below. The proposed amendments will be submitted to members for approval by special resolution at the Society's 2026 AGM.

1. To support transition to an electronic ballot system for Council elections

"26. *Save as herein expressly provided, no member other than a full member duly registered, who shall have paid every subscription and other sum (if any) which shall be due and payable to the Society in respect of his membership, shall be entitled to vote on any question either personally or by proxy, or as a proxy for another member, at any General Meeting. In respect of election to the Council, voting shall be by Postal* ***and/or Electronic*** *Ballot under conditions to be decided by the Council*"

"44. *No person other than a retiring member of the Council shall, unless recommended by the Council for election, be eligible for election to membership of the Council unless that member has in writing, been duly proposed and seconded by full members of the Society and has undertaken willingness to serve if elected. Nominations must be received not later than 42 days prior to the General Meeting and ballot papers (if there are more candidates than vacancies) will be* ***~~posted~~ issued*** *to all members entitled to vote and must be received by the scrutineer appointed by the Council for the purposes of such election not less than 7 days prior to the General Meeting at which the result will be announced*"

"45. *A Bye-Election to fill a vacancy arising from a member of the Council vacating his office (for any reason) may be held at any time, by order of the Council published in a notice to members. No person shall, unless recommended by the Council for election, be eligible for election to membership of the Council at a Bye-Election, unless that member has been, duly proposed and seconded in writing by full members and has undertaken willingness to serve if elected. Nominations must be received not later than one calendar month after the publication of the notice to members and ballot papers (if there are more candidates than vacancies) will be* ***~~posted~~ issued*** *to all members entitled to vote which must be received by the scrutineer appointed by the Council before the closing date ordered by the Council for the purposes of the election and notified in the notice to members calling the Bye-Election. The result of any Bye-Election shall be announced in a notice to members*"

why?

To modernise communications and election processes so they are swift, secure and easy for members to respond to.

Proposed *Changes*.

2. Update to Positions on Council

“33 **(A)** *Up to ~~ten~~ **eleven** members of the Council shall be nominated and elected by members from the regions, as from time to time defined by the Council and notified to members, and they shall be described as Regional Members of the Council. The Council in its absolute discretion shall decide how many members each region may nominate and elect.*

(B) *Up to ~~five~~ **four** members of the Council shall be nominated and elected by the national membership and shall be described as National Members of the Council*”

why?

Council recognises that the Northern Ireland region has the greatest number of members of all the regions and are of the opinion that two Council members are required to support the ongoing regional activity. Reducing the national positions by one maintains the total number of Council members at fifteen.

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3. Appointment of the Council Chairman:

“50 **(A)** *The Council shall from time to time elect a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman (or two or more Vice-Chairmen) and may determine for what period each is entitled to hold office. The Chairman or failing him, a Vice-Chairman, shall be entitled to preside at all meetings of the Council at which he shall be present, but if no such Chairman or Vice-Chairman be elected, or if at any meeting the Chairman or a Vice-Chairman be not present within five minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting and willing to preside, the members of the Council present shall choose one of their number to be Chairman of the meeting.*

The Chairman shall be subject to an annual retention vote by Council at the first Council of Management meeting following every AGM.

Prior to any election or re-appointment process for the office of Chairman, Council Members shall vote on whether the existing Chairman shall remain in office.

The resolution to retain the Chairman shall require a simple majority of Council Members present and entitled to vote.

Where the Council votes in favour of retaining the Chairman, the Chairman shall continue in office subject to the provisions of these Articles.

Where the Council does not vote in favour of retaining the Chairman, that individual shall immediately cease to hold the office of Chairman from the conclusion of that vote.

A Chairman who is not retained by Council under the point above shall not be eligible to stand for election, re-election, appointment or re-appointment to the office of Chairman at that same Annual General Meeting.

A Chairman ceasing to hold office under this Article may remain a Council Member, provided they remain otherwise eligible under these Articles”

why?

This proposal formalises existing practice while providing Council with greater flexibility to extend a chairman’s term beyond the current three-year norm where appropriate. It also separates confidence in a serving Chairman from the election process, creating a fairer, more open environment that encourages wider participation from eligible Council Members.

Issued with this *Notice to Members publication:*

- A copy of the draft Minutes from the Society's 54th AGM held on 17 September 2025

- A copy of the BLCS Annual Trustees' Report and Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the 12 months ended 31st December 2025.

- A proxy form for the purposes of voting at the 55th AGM on 16 September 2026
  Please note that only Society members may attend the AGM, or their representative identified on a valid proxy form.

Printed copies of all documents are available on request to the BLCS office.