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Life membership

Policy

Life membership is the highest honour accorded by the Association and confers Practising or Non Practising membership on a person for the rest of his or her life. It recognises outstanding leadership and committed service to the Association and the profession over many years.

Constitution relating to Life membership

- 10.1 'A Life Member is an individual awarded Life membership for services to the profession. The person may or may not belong to another category of membership at the time Life membership is awarded.'
- 13.6 'Appointment to Life membership or election to Fellowship is decided by the Council at a meeting of the Council. The minutes of the Council will not record the names of candidates not elected.'

Rule 11 refers to the rights and privileges of Life membership.

Guidelines

- Life membership entitles the recipient to all membership services and publications free of charge, for the rest of his or her life.
- Life members will be encouraged to continue to contribute to the Association through active involvement in areas relevant to their area of expertise i.e. through mentoring, providing advice, providing information for historical purposes.
- Council will explore opportunities to involve Life Members in the association and will celebrate their achievements by inviting them to specific functions eg luncheon at the National Conference.
- Life Members are entitled to use the post nominals Life Member SPAA.

See also: 3.3.1 Life membership nominations