



**NEW ZEALAND GYPSY COB ASSOCIATION
SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING
DATE: 19th December 2024
TIME: 7.30PM
VENUE- VIA ZOOM**

Purpose of the SGM

The Incorporated Societies Act 2022 (2022 Act) came into force on 5 October 2023. It replaces the Incorporated Societies 1908 Act and modernises the way societies operate. The 2022 Act is more comprehensive than the 1908 Act that it replaces and will help to integrate best practice processes into all societies (for example, ensuring societies have good mechanisms in place for handling internal disputes and prepare financial statements to a consistent set of standards). The 2022 Act places a stronger emphasis on officers acting in the best interest of the society.

To remain on the register of Incorporated Societies, NZGCA will need to reregister under the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 and file an amended constitution with the Companies Office that meets the new requirements of the 2022 Act. The required changes for Incorporated Societies can be viewed at <https://is-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz/law-changes-for-societies/>

If NZGCA does not reregister it will cease to exist. It will no longer operate as a legal entity and need to be wound up. It will lose decision-making rights, including asset distribution which may be directed by The Registrar of Incorporated Societies. Members must support the proposed change to meet the new requirements.

The purposes of the SGM are:

- To approve NZGCA's reincorporation on the Incorporated Societies register.
- To approve the NZGCA Constitution that has been updated to comply with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.

Please notify secretary@nzgca.co.nz should you wish to attend the meeting so that you can be invited to the zoom call. Online voting can take place before 2pm 18th December 2024.