



JCR Motion Guide

To put in a JCR motion, you must send it to the Secretary or if it is a charities motion, the Charities Officer(s). This will typically be done via email.

They have a standard format:

This JCR notes that:

This is where background facts relating to the motion are listed.

This JCR believes that (optional):

An optional part of the motion, this details what the JCR 'believes'.

This JCR therefore resolves to:

This is the crucial part of the motion, mandating the JCR to do something, typically:

- Purchase something on behalf of the JCR (listing the cost)
- Donate money to a charity/club/event (listing the amount)
- Mandate an officer to do something
- Pass a motion of censure/no-confidence
- Amend the constitution (noting how the updated constitution would read)

Motions must be 'proposed' and 'seconded' by two members of the JCR.

Notes:

- Motions should be **accurate**, explaining exact costs and details as far as possible.
- If a motion is to purchase something, you should buy it and then get reimbursed by the JCR.
- Charity motions should be submitted to the Charities Officer(s) who will then 'second' the motion. If the charity officer(s) disagree that it is an appropriate cause or consider the amount excessive then they could ask you to amend it. You could put it in as an ordinary motion, but the Charities officer is then entitled to explain why they did not ratify it.
- Motions can be amended during meetings. The JCR votes on both the 'friendly amendment' and the final motion. For instance, the amount of money allocated may be deemed too little or too much.
- If you have any questions/concerns regarding motions, contact the secretary who should be able to help you.

Motion Examples:

This JCR notes that:

1. *The JCR website exists*
2. *Whilst there are two appointed JCR IT officers who take care of the technical aspects of the website maintenance there is no JCR committee member in charge of the website's content and function.*

This JCR believes that:

1. *The internet is a useful tool to engage with a wider community engaged with the JCR.*

This JCR therefore resolves to:

1. *Make the website part of the description of the duties of the vice-president by inserting the following clause into SO 3.5*

1.5 The JCR Vice-President shall:

(xiii) be responsible for the JCR website in liaison with the JCR IT officers.

Proposed by Tom Smith

Seconded by Hannah Jenkins

This JCR notes that:

1. *Operation Wallacea is a registered charity that works for conservation and sustainable development in Indonesia, Egypt & Honduras.*
2. *OpWall's work has led to the creation of Indonesia's 2nd largest National Park and the recognition and protection of many new species.*
3. *Three Keble members are volunteering with OpWall this summer.*

This JCR therefore resolves to

1. *Donate £300 to Operation Wallacea.*

Proposed by James Taylor

Seconded by The Charities and Donations Officer
