



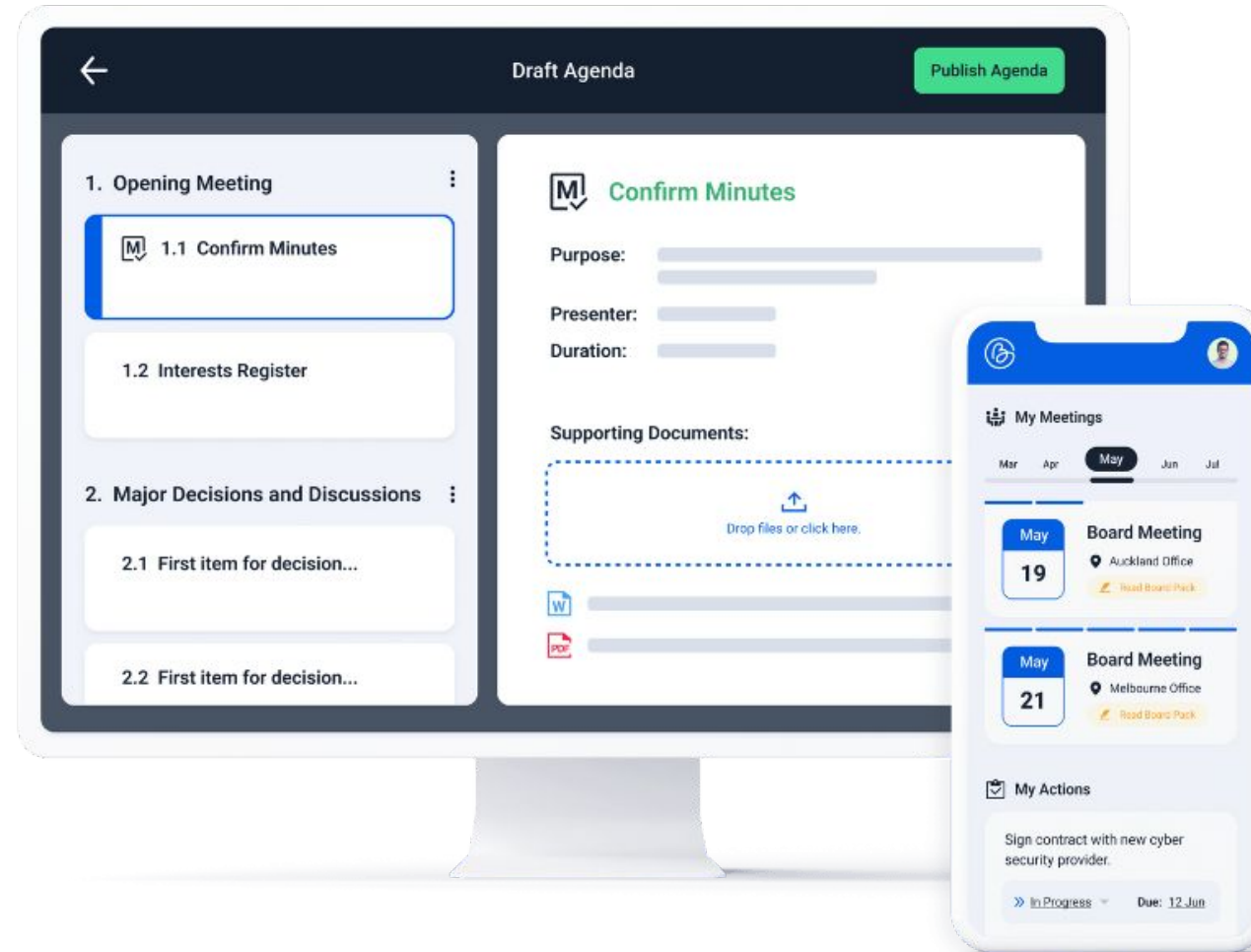
Webinar Series - Pt 1

The pathway to re registration for incorporated societies

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Welcome and Introduction

Understanding the New Act: What's Changing and Why It Matters to Your Society

Feel confident in how to re-register your society under the new Act.





Why this law, why now?



01

The 1908 Act is outdated

02

The 2022 Act promotes modern governance

03

Designed for better accountability, less risk



**But... increased responsibilities for board
(committee) members**



The compliance clock is ticking

01

All societies must
apply to re-register
by April 5, 2026

02

No action
loss of legal status

03

The consequences
frozen assets,
inability to operate
legally

8
MONTHS

0
WEEKS

5
DAYS

Until 5 April 2026 deadline



What if we do nothing?

01

No action

Lose status as incorporated society

02

Practical consequences

Frozen assets, inability to operate legally



What options are left?





Key areas of change

01 Governance Structures

05 Dispute Resolution

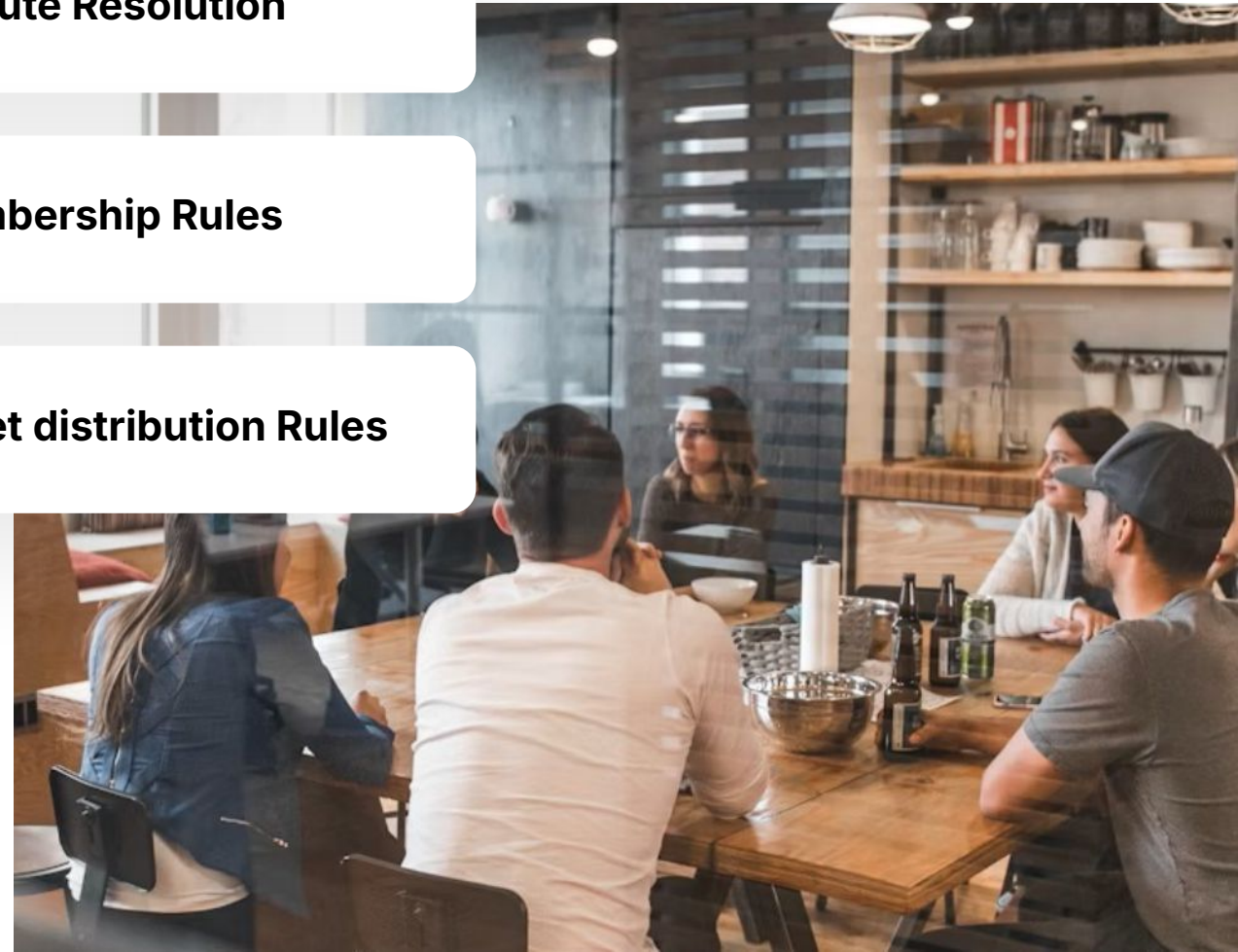
02 Officer / Board Duties

06 Membership Rules

03 Constitutions or Rules

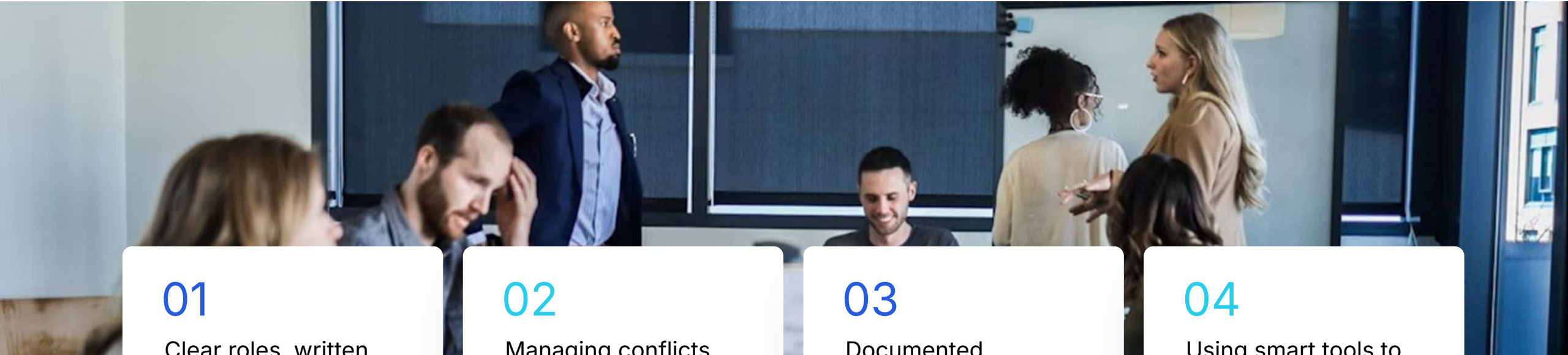
07 Asset distribution Rules

04 Financial Reporting





Governance in practise



01

Clear roles, written
procedures

02

Managing conflicts
of interest

03

Documented
decision-making

04

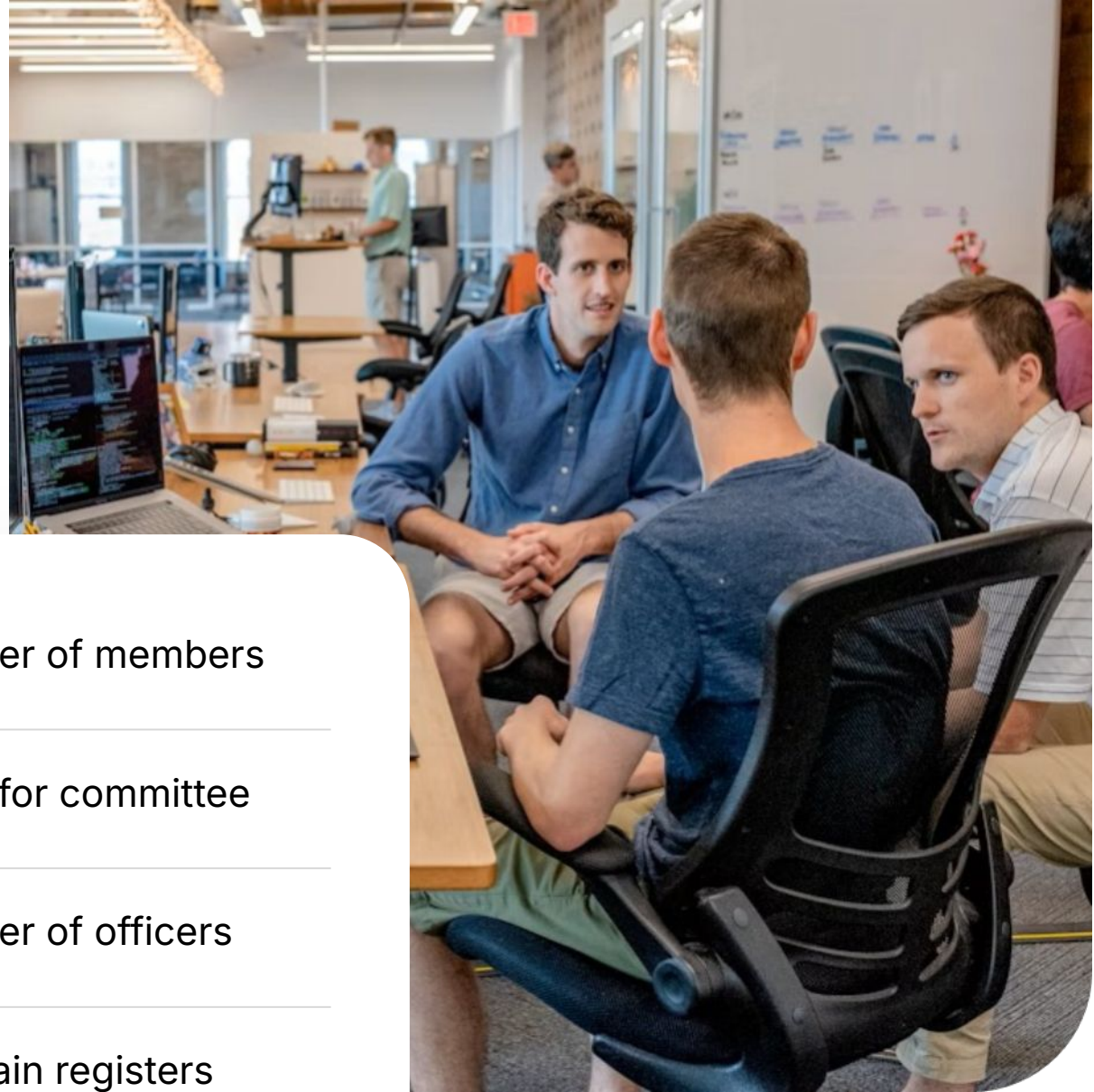
Using smart tools to
make this easy and
trackable



Minimum requirements for new societies



- ▶ Number of members
- ▶ Need for committee
- ▶ Number of officers
- ▶ Maintain registers





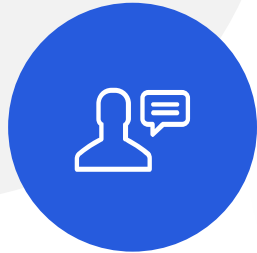
Officers



Who is an officer?



Who can be an officer?



Consent



Officer Duties



- ▶ Avoid conflicts of interest
- ▶ Act in good faith
- ▶ Reasonable care and diligence
- ▶ Act in the best interest of the society
- ▶ Consequences: Personal liability, risk to society



Winding up and surplus assets

→ **New rule:** assets must go to public benefit, not members

01

Asset distribution must be written into the constitution

02

Implications for societies with built-up reserves or property





Summary of what you must do (Part 1)



- ▶ Understand the new obligations
- ▶ Identify your society's risk areas
- ▶ Educate your board and executives on the new requirements
- ▶ Start reviewing your constitution



What we will cover in part 2 of the webinar



"Making It Happen:

Constitution Overhaul and Compliance in Practice"



- ▶ Step-by-step guidance to update your constitution
- ▶ What policies and processes you'll need
- ▶ Aligning governance with operational practices
- ▶ Reporting and dispute resolution



Resource Links

Constitution Builder Tool - Comp Office

<https://isb.companiesoffice.govt.nz/constitutionbuilder/startscreen>

IGS Constitution Redrafting Assistance

<https://igs.nz/incorporated-societies>

Compliance Inc - Ongoing Compliance

<https://register.dacreed.com/registration>



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Thank you
