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The merger process has now reached decision time. All three organisations have agreed to put a formal merger proposal to their members. In addition, the Society of Archivists' Council (SoA) has debated the proposal at length, and decided to recommend unanimously that its members vote for the merger.

The SoA will hold an Extraordinary General Meeting on 13 April in London. The National Council on Archives (NCA) will hold a similar meeting on 21 April in Cardiff, while the Association of Chief Archivists in Local Government (ACALG) will conduct an email vote for its members.

The NCA meeting will vote on a special resolution to merge into the SoA and move its operations into the new body. The SoA meeting will vote on an ordinary resolution to merge with the other organisations, and two special resolutions: one on the change of name to the Archives and Records Association, and one on the new articles of association. These resolutions are all required to comply with company law.

All the relevant merger documents are also available on the SoA and NCA websites, although some of these are on restricted access for members only.

If the various resolutions are passed, the legal process of establishing the new body would be complete by 1 June 2010. If some, or all of the resolutions fail, the three organisations will issue a statement outlining next steps and plans to work closely together in the future.

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