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THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL

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MINUTES of the second meeting of the Approvals Panel held on **Thursday 2 February 2006** at Park House, 184 Kennington Park Road, London SE11 4BU.

PRESENT: Mr A Mount (Chairman)
Mrs S Chaudhry
Professor T Hazell

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr C Bendall, Secretary to the Committee
Ms N Borg, Education Officer
Ms A Creighton, Education Manager

Item 1.06/07 APPOINTMENT OF PANEL CHAIRMAN

- 1.1 The Panel agreed that Mr Mount should act as Chairman for the meeting. The Chairman welcomed Ms Creighton, who been appointed as Education Manager.

Item 2.06/08 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 2.1 The Panel approved the agenda, subject to the inclusion of one item which had been tabled:-
- (i) Programmes for Approval - Glasgow Caledonian University - Local Analgesia with Nail Surgery for Podiatrists (to be considered under item 8 - Any Other Business)

Item 3.06/09 MINUTES OF THE APPROVALS PANEL HELD ON 12 JANUARY 2006

- 3.1 It was agreed that the minutes of the first meeting of the Approvals Panel should be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Item 4.06/10 MATTERS ARISING

- 4.1 The Panel noted that the action points arising from the first meeting of the Panel had been dealt with.
- 4.2 Item 3.4 - Visitors' Reports
- 4.2.1 The Panel noted that the guidance notes for Visitors indicated that a British Council International English Language Teaching System level 6.0 qualification was acceptable for admission, with a proviso that students should reach level 7.0 by completion of the programme. The Panel noted that Ms H Davis, who had chaired the first meeting of the Panel, had indicated that it was therefore unnecessary to raise the matter at the next Education and Training Committee.
- 4.2.2 Item 3.5 - Visitors' Reports
The Panel noted that the conditions for the Supplementary Prescribing programme at the University of Wolverhampton were due to be met by 24 February.

Item 5.06/11 GUIDANCE FOR THE APPROVALS PANEL

- 5.1 The Panel received a paper to note from the Executive.
- 5.2 The Panel noted the guidance in the paper setting out options which could be considered by the Panel following the receipt of the Visitors' Report and any observations by the education provider.
- 5.3 The Panel agreed that it would be helpful for the Secretary to the Panel to produce laminated versions for reference by Panel members.

Action: CB (by 2 March 2006)

Item 6.06/12 PROGRAMMES FOR APPROVAL

- 6.1 The Panel received a paper for discussion/approval from the Executive.
- 6.2 The Panel noted that the first meeting of the Approvals Panel had approved the MA Dramatherapy programme at Roehampton University as a full time mode of delivery when the programme was actually delivered only in a part time mode.
- 6.3 The Panel agreed that the following programme should be approved upon recommendation from the HPC Visitors in attendance at the event:-

Education Provider	Programme Name	Mode of Delivery
Roehampton University	MA Dramatherapy	Part time

Action: NB (by 2 March 2006)

Item 7.06/13 VISITORS' REPORTS

- 7.1 The Panel received a paper to note from the Executive.
- 7.2 The Panel noted the Visitors' Reports for the following programmes which were in the process of meeting conditions set by the HPC:-

Education Provider	Programme Name	Mode of Delivery
Queen Margaret University	Postgraduate	Full time
College	Diploma Dietetics	

- 7.3 The Panel noted that the deadline for the education provider to meet conditions was 31 March 2006.

Item 8.06/14 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 8.1 The Panel received a tabled paper for discussion/approval from the Executive.
- 8.2 The Panel noted that all conditions had been met and agreed that the following programme should be approved upon recommendation from the HPC Visitors in attendance at the event:-

Education Provider	Programme Name	Mode of Delivery
Glasgow Caledonian University	Local Analgesia with Nail Surgery for Podiatrists	Full time

Action: NB (by 2 March 2006)

- 8.3 The Panel noted that the Education Department had taken an administrative decision to electronically watermark Visitors' Reports to indicate that conditions had been met.
- 8.4 The Panel agreed that in due course it would be appropriate for the Approvals Committee to review the current arrangements for the Approvals Panels.

Item 9.06/15 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

9.1 The next meeting would be held on Thursday 2nd March 2006 following the Approvals Committee.

Subsequent meetings:-

Thursday 6th April 2006

Wednesday 17th May 2006 (same day as Approvals Committee)

Thursday 8th June 2006

Tuesday 4th July 2006

Thursday 3rd August 2006

Tuesday 5th September 2006 (same day as Approvals Committee)

Tuesday 10th October 2006

Thursday 2nd November 2006 (same day as Approvals Committee)

Wednesday 13th December 2006

CHAIRMAN

DATE