

**Health Professions Council
6 December 2005**

RESTRUCTURING OF HPC COUNCIL

Executive Summary and Recommendations

Introduction

At the 13th September 2005 meeting of Council it was agreed that further information was required from the Department of Health about the decision making process by which it had rejected options three and four as proposed by the HPC regarding its restructuring of Council. The rejected options were the annual conference and geographical elections options. These were rejected as not meeting the government's principles for restructuring. The Department of Health's preferred options were one and two, namely the single big election and the grouped professional elections options. Rosalind Mead, Project Manager: New Regulations Projects was invited to attend the 5th October 2005 Council meeting for further discussions with Council however due to travel problems she was unable to attend. Therefore the Council agreed that she should attend the December Council meeting.

Decision

The Council is asked to indicate to the Executive if any further work should be undertaken on the issue before the publication of the Department of Health consultation document.

Background information

Following the Council meeting on 12th May 2005 a copy of the consultation, analysis of responses and decision document were sent to the Privy Council. A letter was subsequently received from the Department of Health and is attached for reference.

Resource implications

None.

Financial implications

None.

Background papers

Letter from Department of Health dated 2nd August 2005.

Appendices

None.

Date of paper

24 November 2005

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