

Health Professions Council – 29 March 2012

Actions list

Executive summary and recommendations

Introduction

Below is the action list as agreed at the last public meeting of the Council held on 9 February 2012.

	Action point (and location in minutes)	Action for	Comment
1.	<p>Item 7.12/7 Chair’s report (report ref:- HPC3/12)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A full report on the Chair’s visit to Australia would be submitted to the next meeting of Council; 	Secretary to Council	On today’s agenda
2.	<p>Item 8.12/8 Chief Executive’s report (report ref:- HPC4/12)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern was expressed that on page 7 of the narrative part of the report, the term “clinical” was being used in relation to social workers. The Council were assured that the recruitment advertisement used the term “practising.” The Council were in agreement that it would be helpful to have a briefing in relation to appropriate language to be used, given the increased remit of HPC. It was noted that practising social workers were often described as “front line”; 	Secretary to Council	Briefing and the form it may take to be organised.
3.	<p>Item 9.12/9 Strategic Intent 2012-2015 (report ref:- HPC5/12)</p> <p>9.4 The Council agreed to invite the Executive to present a final draft for approval at the next meeting of Council. This would incorporate those suggestions made during the course of discussion and set out under 9.3.</p>	Director of Policy and Standards	On today’s agenda
4.	<p>Item 10.12/10 Voluntary Registration (report ref:- HPC6/12)</p> <p>The Council agreed:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) submit a further paper to a future meeting of Council seeking further discussion on a policy and criteria for how the Council might exercise its 	Director of Policy and Standards	Ongoing

	<p>Article 3(17) powers to recommend statutory regulation in the future;</p> <p>(iii) submit a further paper to a future meeting of Council to look at the kinds of issues that might be considered or included in an impact assessment on establishing a voluntary register;</p> <p>(iv) submit a further paper looking at the adult social care workforce in England, and keeping Council informed of any changes or developments in government policy in this area.</p>		
5.	<p>Item 12.12/12 Professionalism in nursing, midwifery and the allied health professions in Scotland (report ref:- HPC8/12)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The suggestion was made that the Education and Training Committee be tasked with looking at those recommendations of the paper that could be taken forward by HPC, a suggestion that members concurred with. <p>12.5 The Council noted the report and agreed to forward the report to the Education and Training Committee for further consideration.</p>	Secretary to Council	To be considered at a forthcoming meeting of the Education and Training Committee.

Decision

The Council is requested to note the actions. No decision is required.

Background information

Public Minutes of the Council meeting held on 9 February 2012.

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Background papers

None

Appendices

None

Date of paper

19 March 2012