

The Council is requested to approve the following amendments to the Standing Orders of the Education and Training Committee.

They are as follows:-

For section 1 (Constitution and qualifications for membership) there is substituted:

“Education and Training Committee

- 1 The Council shall appoint not more than 24 members of the Education and Training Committee (the Committee) but subject to the following:-
 - (1) at least one member of the Committee must be a member of Council;
 - (2) the members shall include at least one member from each Part of the Register and the number of members from each Part must be equal;
 - (3) at least one member must be appointed from each country of the United Kingdom and that member must live or work wholly or mainly in the country concerned;
 - (4) at least one member must be a lay person who appears to the Council to represent the interests of the patients or clients of registrants or their carers;
 - (5) the majority of members shall have such qualifications and experience in relation to the provision, funding or assessment of professional education and training as the Council considers will be of value to the Committee in the performance of its functions; and
 - (6) members who are not members of the Council shall be selected having regard to the guidance issued by the Commissioner for Public Appointments.”

For section 2 (Procedure) there is substituted:

“Meetings

- 2 The Committee shall meet in ordinary session (Ordinary Meeting) not less than six times in each year on dates correlated with the Council’s cycle of meetings and at such other times as the Committee shall decide.
- 3 In addition to Ordinary Meetings, a special session of the Committee (Special Meeting) may be convened by the Secretary upon receipt of a written request setting out the details of the business to be transacted at

that meeting from the Chairman or a quorum of members of the Committee.

- 4 A Special Meeting shall take place within 14 calendar days of the Secretary receiving the request for the meeting to be held.”

For Standing Order 7 there is substituted:

- “7 The Council shall nominate one of its members to be the Chairman of the Committee.”

For Standing Order 9 there is substituted:

- “9 The Council may nominate a member to be Vice Chairman of the Committee and the Vice Chairman shall chair any meeting of the Committee at which the Chairman is absent.”

Consequential amendments in Standing Order 10 and 11 for “Vice Chairmen” there is substituted “Vice Chairman”.

In Standing Order 11 leave out quotation marks in both places where they occur.

In Standing Order 19 leave out quotation marks in both places where they occur.

For Standing Order 25 (Approval of resolutions without meeting) there is substituted:

- “25 A resolution which, with the consent of the Chairman, is circulated to, and approved in writing or electronic form by, not less than three quarters of the members entitled to receive notice of and attend a meeting of the Committee shall be as valid as if it had been passed at such a meeting.”

(The registrant and lay member balance requirement in the equivalent Council Standing Order is not required here as the composition of the Committee requires the majority of members to have expertise in the provision, funding or assessment of education and training)

In Standing Orders 33 to 35 (which relate to standards of education, training, attendance and performance for committee members) for “Committee” in each of those Standing Orders substitute “Council”.

In Standing Order 35 for the reference to “Standing Orders 32 and 33” substitute “Standing Orders 33 and 34”.

For Standing Orders 40 to 43 (Removal of members) there is substituted:

“Tenure of Members

- 40 A person shall cease to be a member of the Committee if:

- (1) having been appointed by virtue of being a member of the Council, he ceases to be a member of the Council for any reason;
 - (2) he ceases to live or work wholly or mainly in the United Kingdom or, if he has been appointed as a member in respect of one of the countries of the United Kingdom, in that country;
 - (3) he ceases to be registered in the part of the register in respect of which he was appointed;
 - (4) he ceases to be wholly or mainly engaged in the practice, teaching or management of the provision for which he is registered (or in research in those fields) and for which he was appointed;
 - (5) an order has been made against him by a Practice Committee of the Council; or
 - (6) he is removed by the Council because serious and persistent deficiency in his attendance at meetings or in his conduct or performance at meetings, or because of his failure to comply with Standing Order 35.
- 41 Before taking any action to remove a member of the Committee the Council shall send a notice to that member:
- (1) setting out the grounds on which the member is liable to be removed from office;
 - (2) informing the member that the Council proposes to consider those grounds and that the member has a right to be heard before the Council; and
 - (3) providing the member with 14 days in which to respond.
- 42 Where, following the service of a notice under Standing Order 41, a member responds expressing a wish to be heard by the Council, the Registrar shall convene a meeting of the Council to determine whether or not to remove that member from the Committee.
- 43 The procedure in Standing Orders 41 and 42 shall not apply in respect of a person who has ceased to be a member of the Committee by virtue of Standing Order 40(1) or (5).”

Leave our existing Standing Order 43.

In Standing Order 45 after “Secretary” insert “(if not the Registrar)”.