



Ag Rialáil Gairmithe Sláinte
agus Cúraim Shóisialaigh

Regulating Health +
Social Care Professionals

Minutes

Virtual Council meeting

22.10.20

An Chomhairle um Ghairmithe Sláinte agus Cúraim Shóisialaigh
Health and Social Care Professionals Council



Item	Council decision
1.	Agenda
	The agenda was agreed by Council.
2.	Minutes of the Council meeting
	Council approved the minutes of 10 September 2020.
3.	CORU and the Public Sector Duty
	Council approved that the Audit, Risk and Governance Committee would be the reporting line for the project on compliance with Public Sector Duty established under the Human Rights and Equality Act 2014.
4.	Appointment of Scrutineers for Election
	<p>Council approved the appointment of the Scrutineers and Substitute Scrutineer to assist in the election of members to the Dietitian, Physiotherapist, Speech and Language Therapist, Occupational Therapist and Optical Registration Boards.</p> <p>Scrutineers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ciara Lynch, Internal Auditor, Pinnacle Consulting - Edwin Maguire, Institute of Public Administration <p>Substitute Scrutineer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - David Coombes, Crowleys DFK <p>Council requested feedback on wet signatures being required for nominations in the election process following consideration by the Executive.</p>
5.	Council meeting dates for 2021
	Council approved its schedule of meetings for 2021.
6.	Conflict of Interest Considerations
	Council approved the conflict of interest guidance document to be included with the Fitness to Practise Conflict of Interest check that is provided in advance of its meetings.



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7.	Appeals: Update on Paper Process
	Council approved the permanent adoption of the paper based appeals process following the successful completion of a 20 case pilot.
8.	Statement on Internal Control
	Council approved the Statement on Internal Control recommended by the Audit, Risk and Governance Committee.
9.	Contract Extension IPOptions, ICT Managed Services Provider
	Council approved the contract for ICT Managed Services be extended to IP Options for 12 months as provided for the in the current contract.
10.	Contract Extension pTools Software for website support services
	Council approved contract extension pTools Software for website support services for 12 months.
11.	Procurement of devices for PPC IT solution
	Council approved the capital expenditure for the purchase of 35 iPads for the Preliminary Proceeding Committee.
12.	Nominations Committee
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council re-appointed Ailish Ni Riain to the Preliminary Proceedings Committee as Chairperson member, effective from the expiration of her first term, for a period of three years. • Council re-appointed Anne-Marie Taylor to the Preliminary Proceedings Committee as a lay/vice chair member, effective from the expiration of her first term, for a period of three years. • Council reappointed Lorna Comiskey (RRB) and Pauline Underwood (SWRB) to the Preliminary Proceedings Committee for a period of four years. • Council appointed of Emma Shinton, Registrant Occupational Therapist, to the Appeals Committee as an ad hoc member. • Council appointed Rachel Leonard, Registrant Speech and Language Therapist, to the Professional Conduct Committee with a view to making recommendations to Council.