

General Dental Council Meeting

Tuesday 5 December 2006

This document gives a summary of the decisions taken at the Council's meeting on Tuesday 5 December. (All papers are available on our website via the following link: [GDC - About us - How we work - Council meetings - Council meetings](#))

The next meeting of Council is on Wednesday 7 March 2007.

Business Plan and Budget 2007

Council approved the Business Plan for 2007 and the Budget proposed for 2007.

Specialist Dental Education Board

Council nominated two members of the Specialist Dental Education Board, Peter Catchpole, lay, and Paul Cook, dental. Council authorised the President and the Chief Executive to proceed with the appointments of the Chair and members of the Board. The Chair of Education had withdrawn from the process as he had an interest in the appointments.

International Qualifying Examination Review: recommendations to Council

Council agreed the Education Committee's proposal including the format of the examination and its suggested timeline.

Revalidation:

Extending compulsory CPD to the whole dental team – a consultation paper

Council approved the document 'Compulsory continuing professional development (CPD) for dental care professionals (DCPs)' for consultation.

Revalidation: The shape of revalidation – draft proposals

Council approved the Working Group's 'direction of travel' in developing a revalidation scheme.

Response to the Fitness to Practise consultation: Guidance to the Professional Performance Committee and the Health Committee; and Guidance on Preliminary Meetings

Council approved the Guidance to the Professional Performance Committee and the Health Committee, and the Guidance on Preliminary Meetings, for publication and approved their use from 31 January 2007.

Equality and Diversity Advisory Group: Annual report to Council

Council received the report of the Equality and Diversity Advisory Group's work in 2006, its forward work plan and agreed that it was fulfilling its remit.

GDC Disability Equality Scheme

Council agreed that the Disability Equality Scheme should be a stand-alone document, rather than part of the Equality and Diversity Strategy, and approved the contents of the Scheme.

Standards Committee Annual report to Council

Council noted the report of the Committee's work during 2006 and its forward work plan for 2007.

Corporate Relations Advisory Group Annual Report to Council 2006

Council approved the draft Communications Strategy for 2007 – 2009, the supporting Parliamentary Relations Action Plan and the Proactive Media Relations Action Plan. They also agreed the Stakeholder Relations Strategy.

Council meeting date March 2008

Council agreed that a meeting of Council would take place on Wednesday 5 March 2008.