

Council – 20 February 2008

HPC's Constitution Order

Executive summary and recommendations

Introduction

The new structure of the Council is set out in Schedule 1 of Part 1 of the draft Statutory Instrument (see page 15 and 16). The details of the HPC Constitution Order will be drafted and consulted on by the Department of Health.

The draft timetable is set out in the attached timetable which has been prepared by the Department of Health. It also details the relationship between the Section 60, the Constitution Order, the revised rules and the appointments process for the members of the new Council.

Please note that some of the dates are in the process of being revised.

The key dates are as follows.

- Department of Health consultation on the HPC's Constitution Order starts late April 2008.
- Advertisements for Council members will be published in early September 2008.
- Chair appointed in Autumn 2008.
- Council members appointed by March 2009.
- New Council in force 12 March 2009.

The Department of Health is seeking the views of the Health Professions Council on a number of specific details of the draft Constitution Order.

Decision

The Council is requested

To note the draft timetable which will be used to establish the new HPC Council

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2 To agree to recommend to the Department of Health a range of options relating to the new structure of the Council

These options are set out in the Council paper ref HPC03/08.

Background information

Department of Health project plan.

Resource implications

Smaller number of members of Council

Financial implications

Negates the need for Council elections

Appendices

None

Date of paper

7 February 2008

Professional Regulation and Patient Safety Programme Key HPC Milestones

