

**Health Professions Council  
Education & Training Panel – 12 June 2007**

**MAJOR/MINOR CHANGES (2)**

**Executive Summary and Recommendations**

At the February meeting of the Education and Training Panel, the Panel received a paper for discussion/approval from the Executive regarding a major/minor change submission made from the University of Derby.

The major/minor change submission had been sent to four visitors from the occupational therapy and radiography parts of the Register for consideration by correspondence. The Panel noted that the visitors assessing the occupational therapy programme had recommended that the relocation was a major change and an approvals visit was required to consider the impact on the SETs. However, the visitors assessing the radiography programme had recommended that the relocation was a minor change and the programme continued to meet the SETs. The Panel agreed that the Executive should notify the visitors of the conflicting decisions and ask them to provide more information on the reasons for their recommendation, to help decide whether a visit was required.

This paper is a follow up paper.

**Introduction**

The visitors explained that there differing opinion related mainly to the fact that the two programmes were relocating to different sites. The radiography programme is due to housed entirely at the Kedleston Road campus, where as the occupational therapy programme is due to be housed partly at Kedleston Road campus and partly at Britannia Mill.

The visitors considering the occupational therapy programme felt that they had received insufficient information about both sites, the specialist facilities and how the students would operate across sites.

The visitors considering the radiography programme acknowledged that the programme had under gone a major change (as opposed to a minor change), but that there was still no requirement to visit.

**Decision**

The Panel is asked to agree that the BSc (Hons) Diagnostic Radiography has undergone major change, in line with the visitors' recommendation, and that the programmes continue to meet the HPC's standards of education and training, so there is no requirement for an approval visit.

The Panel is asked to agree that the BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy has undergone major change, in line with the visitors' recommendation, and that the programmes requirement for an approval visit to confirm that the programme continues to meet the HPC's standards of education and training.

The focus of this visit will be SET 3 Programme Management and resource standards.

**Background information**

Education and Training Panel Meeting in February 2007. (Paper 'minor/major changes 3' and minutes)

**Resource implications**

The operation of visits as a result of the minor/major change process has been prepared for and included in the Department's work plan and 2007/08 budget.

**Financial implications**

The visit required will be met within the 2007/08 budget for approval visits.

The visit will cost approximately £750.

(Visitor fee	£280)
(Visitor travel, accommodation & subsistence	£320)
(Executive travel, accommodation & subsistence	£160)

**Appendices**

None

**Date of paper**

31 May 2007