

Health Professions Council

Education and Training Committee Panel

Major change – approval visit required

Name of programme	MA Dramatherapy
Name of education provider	University of Derby
Mode of delivery	Full Time
Date of decision	20 May 2009

Panel :
Neil Willis, Chair
Karen Bryan
Helen Davis
John Donaghy
Gill Pearson

Guidance for Panel Chairs

In deciding whether to agree that a visit is required, the Panel must reach its decision on the basis of the evidence put before it, in the form of the HPC Visitors' report and any observations on the report made by the education provider.

The Visitors' report is only a recommendation and the Panel may depart from that recommendation where it is satisfied that it is appropriate to do so.

The Panel must reach its own decision and give reasons for that decision.

Decision:
The panel agreed to defer making a decision in order to collect additional information from the visitors and the education provider with a view to make a decision at the panel meeting on 11 June 2009.
Reasons
Owing the specific nature of the issue, the panel agreed that a visit was required by that a full approval visit may not be an appropriate step to take to measure the changes that have occurred to the programme. Therefore the panel agreed that the visitors and the education provider must provide more information. The visitors must provide clarification of their reason with

greater explanation given to the link to fitness to practise. And the education provider must submit information to illustrate where the relevant standard of proficiency is delivered and assessed.

Signed: Neil Willis (Chairman of the Panel)