

Health Professions Council – 5 July 2012

## **Council Seal**

### Executive summary and recommendations

#### **Introduction**

1. As part of the project to transfer the register of social workers in England to the HPC, the direct debit data currently held by the GSCC will be transferred across to HPC.
2. This has been undertaken in accordance with the process set out by BACS. GSCC registrants have been made aware that their details are transferring across through a communication sent by the GSCC in mid May. Further mention will be made within HPC's "welcome letter" due to be dispatched to Social workers in England in mid-late July.
3. Part of that process is that a "Direct debit scheme – Bulk Change Deed" must be executed by the GSCC as the current service user and then by HPC as the new service user and then sent to the new sponsoring bank.
4. Any Deed executed by the Council must have the Council Seal affixed to it. Standing Order 23 states: "The Common Seal shall only be affixed to a document with the consent of Council or of a Committee to which that power has been delegated and where the seal is affixed to a document, it shall also be signed by the Registrar and by a member of Council."
5. Accordingly, Council's approval is sought to affixing the Council Seal to the Deed.

#### **Decision**

Council is requested to approve that the Common Seal be affixed to the "Direct Debit Scheme – Bulk Change Deed."

#### **Background information**

None

#### **Resource implications**

By transferring the direct debit details of GSCC registrants to the HPC will reduce the number of direct debit details which will need to be manually inputted into the NetRegulate system thus a reduction in resources required.

**Financial implications**

None

**Background papers**

None

**Appendices**

None

**Date of paper**

19 June 2012