

Education and Training Committee

Minutes of the 77th meeting of the Education and Training Committee held as follows:

Date: Wednesday 11 October 2017

Time: 17.30 am

Venue: The Old Inn, Main Street, Crawfordsburn, County Down, BT19 1JH

Members: Stephen Wordsworth (Chair)
Maureen Drake
Sue Gallone
Sonya Lam
Jo Mussen
Gavin Scott

In attendance:

Abigail Gorringe, Director of Education

Louise Lake, Director of Council and Committee Services

Public Agenda

Item 1 - Chair's welcome and introduction

1.1 The Chair welcomed the Committee and Executive to the meeting.

Item 2 - Apologies for absence

2.1 There were no apologies for absence.

Item 3 - Approval of agenda

3.1 The Committee approved the agenda.

Item 4 - Declaration of members' interests

4.1 Members had no interests to declare in connection with the items on the agenda.

Items for discussion/approval

Item 5 – Any other business

5.1 There were no additional items for consideration that day.

Item 6 – Date and time of next meeting

6.1 Thursday 23 November 2017, 10.30am at Park House, SE11 4BU

Resolution

The Committee adopted the following:

'The Committee hereby resolves that the remainder of the meeting shall be held in private, because the matters being discussed relate to the following;

- (a) information relating to a registrant, former registrant or application for registration;
- (b) information relating to an employee or office holder, former employee or applicant for any post or office;
- (c) the terms of, or expenditure under, a tender or contract for the purchase or supply of goods or services or the acquisition or disposal of property;
- (d) negotiations or consultation concerning labour relations between the Council and its employees;
- (e) any issue relating to legal proceedings which are being contemplated or instituted by or against the Council;
- (f) action being taken to prevent or detect crime to prosecute offenders;
- (g) the source of information given to the Council in confidence; or

- (h) any other matter which, in the opinion of the Chair, is confidential or the public disclosure of which would prejudice the effective discharge of the Council's functions.'

Item	Reason for Exclusion
7	h

Summary of matters discussed in private session

Item 7 - Programme approval following directed visit (ETC 27/17)

- 7.1 The Committee considered the report of a directed visit to Manone Medical Services Ltd, in particular their QA Diploma in Paramedic Practice, full time, validated by Qualsafe Awards Ltd and the education provider's observations on that report. That directed visit followed the Committee's consideration of this programme at meetings held in March and May 2017 when in reached a decision that it was 'minded to' withdraw approval..
- 7.2 The Committee:-
- (i) accepted the findings of the visitors as detailed in their report;
 - (ii) was satisfied that due process had been followed;
 - (iii) agreed that programme approval be withdrawn;
 - (iv) was satisfied that no students were undertaking this programme and therefore affected by this decision;
 - (v) indicated that Manone should pursue any complaint in relation to the visitor's conduct through the HCPC's partner complaints process; and
 - (vi) requested that the Director of Education make contact with Qualsafe to discuss this programme and other programmes where they are the validating body.

Item 8 - Any other business in private

- 8.1 There were no additional items for consideration that day.

Chair

Date