

EDUCATION AND TRAINING AND EXAMINING BODY COMMITTEE

25th February 2009

Held by phone

10.30AM – 12.30PM

Item

Item 7 Foundation degree approval panel academic members

Summary

Each foundation degree is approved by a panel consisting of an academic, a practitioner and an HAC representative. To speed up the approval process, the Council has employed a practitioner on a course by course basis and would now like to do the same with the academic members. The panel previously relied heavily on Prof. Norma Brook. To avoid putting undue pressure on the two remaining academic panel members, it is proposed to contract someone with sufficient academic expertise, understanding of the foundation degree and experience of approval processes join the approval panel.

Action

The Committee is asked to advise the executive on how suitable candidates could be found or recommend potentially interested people with academic expertise.