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Minutes

The Public session of the 34th meeting of the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland established under the Pharmacy Act 2007, was held at 9.30am on Monday 27th February 2012 at the D4 Berkeley Court Hotel, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4.

Present: Mr. E. Hanly (Vice President), Ms. L. Clarke, Mr. J. Collins, Ms. M. Doherty, Dr. A. Frankish Ms. I. Kelleher, Ms. M. Ní Longaín, Mr. F. Murphy, Mr. F. Ó'Cuinneagáin, Prof. C. O'Driscoll, Prof. C. O'Boyle, and Mr. N. Stenson.

PSI staff in attendance: Dr. A. McLoughlin (Registrar), Ms. J. Aylward, Ms. C. McGoldrick and Dr. C. Stokes.

The Vice-President, Mr. Eoghan Hanly, chaired the meeting in the absence of the President.

1. Apologies

Mr. J. Corr, Ms. D. Larkin, Dr. J. Holohan, Mr. A. Horan, Prof. K. McDonald and Ms. R. Purcell.

The following Council members were available but unable to attend due to conflict of interest:

Mr. P. Fahey (President) and Mr. K.O'Hourihane

2. Declaration of Interests

The Vice-President referred to item 2 in the Council documentation and reminded the Council members present of their responsibilities in this regard.

Paragraph 9 of Schedule 1 to the Pharmacy Act 2007, deals with the necessary disclosure of certain interests by members of the Council and by members of its various committees. Those requirements are also reflected in the Code of Conduct adopted for Council members which also requires that they "be honest and open with regard to conflicts of interest (either real or perceived). Members must not use their position for personal gain in either business, political or social relationships. Therefore, a member who has, or may be perceived to have, such a personal interest in a particular matter under consideration should declare that interest, withdraw from all discussions relating to it and take no part in any vote on such matter."

A copy of paragraph 9 of Schedule 1 to the Act, relating to the disclosure of certain interests is therefore included and all members of the Committee are strongly advised to familiarise themselves with its contents.

3. Term of office of Audit Committee member

The Term of Office of Audit Committee member Mr. Noel Conroy ends on 3rd March 2012.

It is recommended that Mr. Conroy be re-appointed for a further term ending on 2nd March 2015.

Council unanimously approved the re-appointment of Mr. Conroy to the Audit Committee until 2nd March 2015.