

## **Summary of Council Meeting**

The Council met on 14 September 2017 from 10.00am to 3.00pm. There were 13 items on the agenda and there were 2 items of correspondence.

The Council considered reports from the Veterinary Nursing Committee, the Veterinary Education and Training Committee and the Practice Premises Committee.

### Veterinary Nursing Committee (VNC)

The VNC met on 21 August 2017 from 9.30am to 11.00am. There were 11 items on the agenda.

The VNC noted that two visitations to veterinary nurse providers had been scheduled. St Johns Central College is scheduled to be visited on 22 and 23 November 2017 and AIT is scheduled to be visited on 6 and 7 December 2017.

The VNC considered a number of ongoing matters and dealt with a number of registration queries.

### Veterinary Education and Training Committee (VETC)

The VETC met on 30 August 2017 from 11.00am to 1.00pm. There were 9 items tabled on the agenda and there were two items of correspondence.

The VETC considered one Specialist Register application and four CVE waiver applications. It also carried out a 6 month review of the Strategic Plan.

### Practice Premises Committee (PPC)

The PPC met on 31 August 2017 from 10.00am to 1.00pm. There were 11 items listed on the agenda.

The PPC agreed to grant certificates of suitability to six new premises and to revoke the certificate of suitability for four premises. It was agreed to apply a fee of €790 in respect of a certificate of suitability for the period 2018-2021.

### Disciplinary Matters

The Council considered seven applications for an Inquiry involving eight veterinary practitioners and one veterinary nurse.

### Reports of Authorised Officers

The Council considered two reports from its authorised officers in respect of alleged breaches of the Veterinary Practice Act 2005, as amended by a registered person and a non-registered person.

### Anonymous Complaints

It was agreed to advise the public and the profession that the Council will consider anonymous complaints and take further action where it is given sufficient information that breaches of the Veterinary Practice Act 2005, as amended have occurred.

### Changes to the Registers

The Council confirmed the changes to both Registers which had taken place since the last meeting. It was reported that there are 51 new entries and 7 names restored to the Register of Veterinary Practitioners and 6 new entries and 2 names restored to the Register of Veterinary Nurses.

It was reported that there had been three deaths since the last meeting: Mr Humphrey Gerard Buckley (46/61), Mr Thomas Francis Dillon (29/65) and Mr Thomas Anthony McGeady (69/60). A minute's silence was observed in their honour.

### Date of Next Meeting

The next Council meeting is scheduled to take place on Friday, 3 November 2017 @12.45pm in Glenlo Abbey Hotel, Galway.