

**Northern Ireland Social Care Council  
Registrants Forum  
13<sup>th</sup> September 2018 @ 10am, NISCC Offices**

**Present**

Roberta Magee (Chair)  
Carolyn Ewart (Deputy Chair)

**Apologies**

Jacqui McGarvey (Council Member)


**In Attendance**

Patricia Higgins (Interim Chief Executive)  
Catherine Maguire (Professional Adviser)  
Kevin Mulhern (Communications Manager)  
Alison Shaw (Workforce Engagement Officer)  
Jordan Adair (Minute Taker)

<b>Item</b>	<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome and Apologies</b> The Interim Chief Executive welcomed the group to the meeting and confirmed that the purpose of today was to discuss the future of the Registrants Forum and what Members thought the scope should be. Apologies were noted from Jacqui McGarvey.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Minutes from Previous Meeting</b> The minutes from the previous meeting dated 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 were agreed as a true and accurate record.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Future of the Registrants Forum</b> The group were in agreement that the Registrants' Forum should continue. A discussion ensued regarding what format it might take and what the scope might include. The following was agreed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The forum will be held 3 times a year; October/November (to contribute to the organisation's Business Planning exercises), February/March (to contribute to the organisation's Annual Report) and May/June (as a mid-point update meeting).</li> <li>The Interim Chief Executive agreed to contact Unison and NIPSA to confirm that they still wanted members of their organisations to contribute to future forum meetings. It was also acknowledged that it is difficult for students to participate and that it would be better to engage with a wider student</li> </ul>	

	<p>group outside of the meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The representative from the NISCC Council was welcomed to sit on the Registrants Forum as a participating member as it was agreed that it would be helpful to have a stronger Council connection. Members were content if 2 registrant members of Council wished to attend.</li><li>• The Interim Chief Executive agreed to seek membership from 2 other organisations. The group were happy to welcome registrants from either a Social Care or a Social Work background, if it proved difficult to recruit 2 social care workers.</li><li>• It was emphasised that the representatives needed to be committed to coming to the Registrants Forum meetings.</li></ul>	
<b>4.</b>	<b>AOB</b> Alison Shaw updated the group on her recent engagement activities within the Trusts, explaining that she had organised events in the SHSCT and that she had spoken with a manager in BHSCT to do the same.  Kevin Mulhern told the group about an infographic that his team had been working for Social Care Workers to promote the importance of being on the register and remembering to make their payments on time.	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 @ 10am</li></ul>	

Signed:



**Roberta Magee, Chair of the Registrants' Forum  
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