

Education and Training Committee, 9 September 2021

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Executive summary

Introduction

Below is the actions list as agreed at the last public meeting of the Education and Training Committee held on 10 June 2021

	Action point (and location in minutes)	Action for	Comment
10 June 2021			
	Item 7 - Registration Performance (ETC 16/21)		
1	The Committee agreed that information on the quality of registration work was missing from the report. For example, information on the grounds on which a registration appeal was made. The Executive agreed to review this and agreed that information regarding the substance of upheld registration appeals could be provided, as this was regularly reported to the PSA. (7.6)	Head of Registration	Additional information regarding the quality of registration work will be included for review and comment at the Education and Training Committee meeting on the 9 September 2021.
	Item 8 - Education Performance (ETC 17/21)		
2	The Committee asked that more context accompany the target on conditions being set to provide clarity on why the new model was expected to result in fewer conditions being set, as without this it may lead to an external perception that this was due to a lowering of standards, rather than more targeted engagement and a new institution approval level.(8.5)	Head of Education	This point has been noted for the key messages as part of scale up activities for the new model, should the Committee agree to proceed. We expect fewer instances of conditions or no conditions applied to approval as the new approval process provides the visitors with greater opportunity to explore, understand and resolve issues and areas of enquiry before they need to set any conditions. Our new iterative

3	The Committee welcomed the presentation of the report and asked that the registration report be formatted in a similar style. The Executive agreed to action this for the September reports.(8.6)	Head of Registration	<p>approach to assessment provides more flexibility and opportunity for the education provider and visitors to resolve these issues without needing to set conditions. Our stage approach to institution and programme assessment also allows issues to be focused on properly and allows us to be more consistent in how areas of the standards are met.</p> <p>For these reasons, we expect conditions to only be set where there are clear gaps in how programmes are met. This is in contrast to the current process where conditions are often put in place due to incomplete documentation or a lack of clarity of particular issues out of a 'visit'. We will need to monitor outcomes in relation to this area of the process to see if this expected trend is realised.</p> <p>The registration report will be formatted in a similar style at the Education and Training Committee meeting on the 9 September 2021.</p>
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Decision

The Committee is requested to note the actions. No decision is required.

Background information

Public minutes of the Education and Training Committee meeting held on 10 June 2021.

Date of paper

1 September 2021.