

Agenda for Public Council Meeting No.171

8:30 am Thursday, 1 October 2026

Location: In Person at PSI House

Colour code: Red—for decision; Green—for discussion; Blue—for information

<u>Indicative Times</u>	<u>Item and Presenter</u>		
08:30 am	1	Apologies	President
08:31 am	2	Declaration of Interests (please refer to Appendix A) 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 as Appendix A and all members of the Committee are strongly advised to familiarise themselves with its contents.	President
8:32 am	3	Request for approval from Council for the draft Minutes of the public Council meetings No.169.	President
8:34 am	4	Agreement on the Meeting Agenda.	President

5. Updates and Items from the Registrar			
8:35 am	5.1	Registrar’s Report	Registrar

8:50 am	5.2	Q3 update on implementation of Service Plan 2026	Registrar
8.55 am	5.3	Request for Approval by Council of Delegation to the Registrar for Authority in relation to “Procedural provisions relating to failure to comply with CPD requirements” as provided for under Rule 12A of the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland (Registration) (Amendment) Rules 2025	Registrar /Dan Burns

6. Audit & Risk Committee

9:05 am	6.1	Report to Council from the Audit and Risk Committee	Emily Kelly
9:10 am	6.2	Review of the Terms of Reference of the Committee	Emily Kelly
9:15 am	6.3	Approval of Corporate Governance Framework	Emily Kelly

7. Regulatory & Professional Policy Committee

9:25 am	7.1	Report to Council from the Regulatory & Professional Policy Committee.	R. Hammond
9.30 am	7.2	Approval of Consultation Report on draft education and training rules and draft guidelines to support the Contraception Prescribing Service in Pharmacies	R. Hammond
9.40 am	7.3	Approval of revised draft Guidelines to Support Pharmacists providing the Common Conditions and Contraception Prescribing Services	R. Hammond
09.45 am	7.4	Approval of draft PSI (Education and Training required to Prescribe Medicinal Products in Accordance with the Contraception Prescribing Service) Rules 2026	R. Hammond
09.50 am	7.5	Approval of CPD Review Policy for Pharmaceutical Assistants.	R. Hammond
10.00 am	7.6	Reform of the Pharmacy Act, Update Policy Proposals on Reform of the Fitness to practice Processes.	R. Hammond
10.15 am	7.7	Annual Reports from the new MPharm Programme Providers (ATU, University of Galway SETU)	R. Hammond
10.25 am		Comfort Break	All

8. Performance & Resources Committee

10:35 am	8.1	Report to Council from the Performance and Resources Committee	A. McGarry
10.40 am	8.2	Approval of Management Accounts to 30 June 2026 plus high-level forecast	A. McGarry

10.50 am	8.3	Funding Drawdown for the Business Transformation Programme	A. McGarry
11.05 am	8.4	Annual Review of Environmental Policy	A. McGarry

9. AOB			
11:10 am	9.1	AOB	President

Ms Joanne Kissane
Registrar/Chief Officer

We anticipate that the Council meeting will finish at approximately 11.20 am.

The next public meeting of Council is scheduled to take place on Thursday, 8 December 2026

APPENDIX A

Pharmacy Act 2007 Schedule 1, Section 9: Disclosure of certain interests

(1) In this paragraph— “connected relative”, in relation to a person, means a spouse, a man and woman who are not married to each other but are cohabiting as husband and wife, parent, brother, sister, child or spouse of a child of the person;

“meeting” means a meeting of the Council or of a committee of the Council;

“member” includes a member of a committee of the Council;

“specified matter” means—

- (a) an arrangement to which the Council is a party or a proposed such arrangement, or
- (b) a contract or other agreement with the Council or a proposed such contract or agreement.

(2) A member present at a meeting where a specified matter arises who, otherwise than in his or her capacity as a member, has an interest in that matter—

- (a) shall at the meeting, disclose that fact and the extent of the interest,
- (b) may not influence or seek to influence a decision to be made in relation to the matter,
- (c) shall absent himself or herself from the meeting or that part of the meeting during which the matter is being discussed,
- (d) may not vote on a decision relating to the matter, and
- (e) may not take part in any further deliberation of the Council or any of its committees relating to the matter.

(3) For the purposes of this paragraph, but without prejudice to the generality of *subparagraph (2)*, a member shall be regarded as having an interest in a matter if a connected relative of that member or a nominee of either of them has such an interest.

(4) The disclosure shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting and, for as long as the specified matter is being dealt with by the meeting, the member making the disclosure may not be counted for the purposes of determining the presence of a quorum for the meeting.

(5) The question of whether a member’s course of conduct, is or would be a contravention of *subparagraph (2)* shall be determined by the chair, whose decision shall be final, and the particulars of the determination shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

(6) Where the member referred to in *subparagraph (4)* is the chair, the meeting shall choose another member to chair it for the purposes of the determination.

(7) If satisfied that a member has contravened *subparagraph (2)*, the Minister may remove the member from office and that person is then disqualified from office.