

May 2025 Public Summary

BPC Board Meeting 9 May 2025

Conducted as a hybrid meeting.

Trustees present:

Sally Beeken (SB)

Alan Colam (AC) *via Zoom*

Angela Greatley (AG)

Frances Roper (FR) *via Zoom*

Richard Serlin (RS)

Lee Smith (LS)

Nikky Sternhell (NS)

Staff present:

Camilla Bradshaw (CB)

Joanne Brooks (JB) *via Zoom*

Patrick Cusworth (PC)

Laura Dunn (LD)

Sharon Johal (SJ) *via Zoom*

Greg Ross-Sampson (GRS)

Guest present:

Joao Botas (JBo)

Apologies:

Deborah Abrahams (DA)



1. Chair's welcome and introduction

LS welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for absence

DA sent her apologies in advance of the meeting.

3. Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved with one additional item under any other business.

4. Declaration of Trustees interests

No new declarations of interest were made.

5. Minutes of March 2025 meetings and public summary

The March minutes and public summary were approved with some minor changes.

6. Matters Arising

Matters arising from the previous meeting were discussed.

7. Chair's report

LS updated the Board on the recent Council meeting.

8. Chief Executive's report

The Board discussed the Chief Executive's report.

11. Trainee membership and conference

The Board discussed the proposed trainee membership and conference.

12. Accrediting academic courses

The Board discussed the accreditation of academic courses.

14. BPC guidelines on training therapy: reporting and informing

The Board discussed the guidelines on training therapy: reporting and informing.

16. Ratification of new member of Scholars' Committee

The Board ratified a new member of the Scholars' Committee.

17. Fields on the public register

There was a discussion about the fields displayed on the public Register.



18. Communications strategy 2025 - 2028

The Board received an update on the 2025-2028 communications strategy.

19. PSA reaccreditation 2025

The Board received an update on the 2025 PSA reaccreditation of the BPC.

20. Partnership of Counselling and Psychotherapy Bodies (PCPB)

Due to time restraints, a presentation on the Partnership of Counselling and Psychotherapy Bodies (PCPB) was sent to the Board after the meeting.

21. Registration Committee

An update was given on the Registration Committee by the Registrar.

22. Ethics Committee

There were no updates from the Ethics Committee.

23. Professional Standards Committee

There were no updates from the Professional Standards Committee.

24. Sexual and gender diversity Committee

A written update had been provided to the Board and was noted.

26. 2025 organisation planner

The Board noted the updated organisation planner.

27. Any other business

Trustees discussed a confidential matter without BPC staff or guests present.

28. Date and time of next meeting

The next Board meeting will take place on Friday 18 July.