

Dental Council Report – 2013

Overview of activity

This year was a very busy year for the Dental Council and our achievements this year include:

- Introduced on-line retention fee payments
- Published the Code of Practice relating to: Non-Surgical Cosmetic Procedures
- Work commenced on revising the Council's Code of Practice on Cross-infection Control.
- The Council continued to liaise with both the Department of Health and University College Cork regarding the implementation of the governance provisions of the accreditation report on the undergraduate dental programme.
- The Council established a subgroup draft guidance documentation on the use of Cone Beam Tomography in dental surgeries
- Funding to administer the work of the Irish Committee for Specialist Training (ICSTD) is now being channelled through the Dental Council rather than via the HSE. The ICSTD initiated a revision of its constitution in collaboration with the Council.
- The Council submitted revised auxiliary dental worker schemes that sought to regularise a registration anomaly in the previous schemes, to provide for the removal of auxiliary dental workers from the register, and to expand the scope of practice of dental nurses and dental hygienists. The Council approved a revised Code of Practice relating to Ethical behaviour for Auxiliary Dental Workers but is unable to publish it until the revised schemes are approved by the Department of Health.
- A new programme in orthodontic therapy in Dublin Dental University Hospital was approved by Council.
- The Council progressed its work with the Dental Board of Australia and the New Zealand Dental Council on mutual recognition of their respective dental programmes.
- The Council became a founding member of the International Society of dental Regulators.
- The renewal dates for all registrants were streamlined and the dentist retention fee (including for specialists) will fall due on 1 February annually and the retention fee for all auxiliary dental workers will fall due on 1 September annually.
- A draft copy of the revised Code of Practice relating to: Infection Prevention and Control was circulated to 22 stakeholders for consultation.

Report required by Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies.

I wish to report that:

- There was no commercially significant developments affecting the body in 2013, including the establishment of subsidiaries or joint ventures and share acquisitions or other issues likely to arise in the short to medium term;
- I affirm that all appropriate procedures for financial reporting, travel, procurement and asset disposals are being carried out;

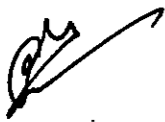
- I affirm that Codes of Business Conduct for Directors have been put in place and adhered to;
- I affirm that Government policy on the pay of Chief Executives and all State body employees is being complied with;
- I confirm that the members of the Dental Council are not paid fees;
- There were no significant post balance sheet events;
- I confirm that the Guidelines for the Appraisal and Management of Capital Expenditure Proposals in the Public Sector are being complied with in as far as it applies to the Dental Council;
- I certify that Government travel policy requirements are being complied with in all respects;
- I confirm that the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies has been adopted and is being complied with, in as far as it applies to the Dental Council.
- I confirm that the Dental Council has complied with its obligations under tax legislation

Report regarding Financial Controls

I acknowledge that the Council is responsible for the system of internal financial control and that any such a system can provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance against material error. The key procedures, which have been put in place by the Council, designed to provide effective internal financial control include:

- an appropriate control environment including defined management responsibilities and reporting to the Council's Finance and General Purpose Committee
- oversight by the Council's Finance and General Purposes Committee with regard to business risks and the evaluation of their financial implications
- consideration of management accounts by the Finance and General Purposes Committee and Council

I confirm that there has been a review of the effectiveness of the system of internal financial control through the external audit. There were no material losses, contingencies or uncertainties which require disclosure in the financial statements or the auditor's report on the financial statements.



Dr Eamon Croke
President

Membership of the Council

Dr Eamon Croke	Elected – President
Dr Barney Murphy	Elected – Vice President
Dr Terry Farrelly	Elected – Chair of Fitness to Practise
Dr Gerard McCarthy	Elected
Dr Paul O'Reilly	Elected
Dr Roger Ryan	Elected
Prof Leo Stassen	Elected
Dr Francis Burke	Appointed UCC
Dr Patricia McDermott	Appointed UCC
Prof June Nunn	Appointed TCD – Chair of Auxiliary Workers Committee
Dr Jacinta McLoughlin	Appointed TCD
Dr Marielle Blake	Appointed RCSI – Chair of Education Committee
Ms Katherine Bulbullia	Appointed Medical Council
Mr Michael Gilbride	Appointed Medical Council
Mr Gerry Horkan	Appointed Minister for Education
Dr Dympna Kavanagh	Appointed Minister for Health
Ms Margaret Swenney	Appointed Minister for Health
Ms Catrioia Craddock	Appointed Minister for Health
Ms Marie Henson	Appointed Minister for Health
Mr Maurice Petherick	Clin Dent Tech - Elected to Auxiliary Workers Committee
Ms Rhona Butterfield	Dent Hygienist - Elected to Auxiliary Workers Committee
Ms Tina Gorman	Dent Nurse - Elected to Auxiliary Workers Committee*

DENTAL COUNCIL

Financial Statements

For year ended 31 December 2013

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Registrar's certificate

I certify that the Financial Statements set out on pages 4 and 5 have been properly prepared in accordance with the accounting policies and notes set out on pages 3 and 6 and that they are in agreement with the Books of Accounts of the Dental Council.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. O'Flynn', written in a cursive style.

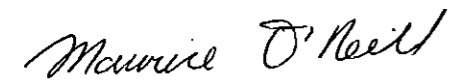
David O'Flynn
REGISTRAR

27 March 2014

Certificate of Local Government Auditor

I have audited the accounts of the Dental Council for the year ended 31st December 2013 in accordance with the principles and practice of Local Government Audit.

In my opinion, proper books of accounts have been kept by the Council and the accounts, which are in agreement therewith, present fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies and notes set out on pages 3 and 6, the financial position of the Council at 31st December 2013, and its income and expenditure for the year on that date.



Maurice O'Neill
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDITOR

27March 2014

Accounting Policies

1. Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are prepared on an income and expenditure basis under the historical cost convention.

2. Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

The Council's premises are not depreciated. Renovations and alterations to the premises are charged to the income and expenditure account in the year in which the expenditure is incurred.

Superannuation

- (a) Section 19 of the Dentists Act, 1985 applies the terms of the Local Government (Superannuation) Acts 1956 and 1980 to the Council and its officers and servants subject to any modifications which may, with the consent of the Minister for the Environment and Local Government, be determined by the Minister for Health and Children.

No funding provisions have been made in respect to benefits payable under the Superannuation Scheme.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2013

<u>INCOME</u>	2013	2012
	€	€
Fees	588,515	554,952
ICSTD funding	100,011	
Rents	41,905	41,065
Superannuation Contributions	11,913	11,843
Interest	3,109	7,551
Miscellaneous	<u>44,307</u>	<u>55,568</u>
	789,760	670,979
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Salaries	396,805	367,637
ICSTD funding	100,011	
Members' Expenses	31,638	35,653
Prizes	3,100	3,369
Upkeep and Repairs	15,087	15,388
Cleaning	3,590	3,133
Light and Heat	8,942	5,664
Rates / Head Rent	21,535	21,069
Insurance	6,056	5,546
Printing and Stationery	7,966	23,305
Postage	11,242	10,211
Telephones	3,703	3,724
Legal Expenses	57,494	203,618
Audit Fee	2,863	2,815
Bank Interest Charges	2,298	1,512
Exam Expenses	14,099	7,782
Taxation	664	629
Staff Training	6,750	-
Office Equipment	1,292	11,810
Miscellaneous	<u>49,578</u>	<u>22,105</u>
	<u>744,713</u>	<u>744,970</u>
(Deficit) / Surplus of year	45,047	-73,991
Balance brought forward	<u>683,277</u>	<u>757,268</u>
Surplus carried forward	<u>728,324</u>	<u>683,277</u>

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER 2013

	Note	€	<u>2013</u>	€	€	<u>2012</u>	€
<u>Fixed Assets</u>							
Freehold Premises	(1)	5,472			5,472		
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS			5,472		5,472		
<u>Current Assets</u>							
Cash in Bank and on hand		828,029			802,711		
Debtors and Prepayment		<u>14,429</u>			<u>5,281</u>		
		842,458			807,992		
<u>Current Liabilities</u>							
Creditors and Accruals		<u>89,467</u>			<u>100,048</u>		
Net Current Assets			<u>752,991</u>		<u>707,944</u>		
Total Assets			<u>758,463</u>		<u>713,416</u>		
<u>Represented by</u>							
General Reserve		30,139			30,139		
Accumulated Surplus		<u>728,324</u>			<u>683,277</u>		
			<u>758,463</u>		<u>713,416</u>		

Note (1)

Premises have been valued at cost. These consist solely of the premises at 57 Merrion Square purchased in 1935 by the Dental Board. These premises have been insured in 2013 for a value of €3,413,871