

Date of meeting:	23 April 2015	
Title of Paper:	Deputy President's Report to Council	
Appendices:	None	
Presented by:	Professor Rod Thomson, FRCN	
	Is a decision required? No	

Date	Event	Comments
7 January	Teleconference with Michael Brown, Peter Carter and Jane Clarke	First meeting since taking on the role of Deputy President. Purpose to discuss a) to agree ways of utilising my professional role and networks to support the RCN's strategic priorities; b) my personal priorities for the term of office and c) ways of working
14 January	Meeting with Cecilia Anim	To discuss a) our priorities for our terms of office; b) future engagements on behalf of the College and c) how we can support each other to carry out the roles.
19 January	International Committee (teleconference)	Unable to join the teleconference due to problems with the teleconference link.
22 January	Council Executive Team (teleconference)	Meeting of the Council's Executive Team
28 January	Open Scot Nursing offices	Following an invitation from RCN activist Ann Rushforth, Chief Executive of Scot Nursing to open the company's new offices, I added this event to my visit to the RCN's Greater Glasgow Branch. It was also an opportunity to meet some of Anne's staff and learn about the wide services that they provide across Scotland, and their continuing education programmes for all their staff.
29 January	RCN Greater Glasgow Branch	A very enjoyable day spent with a great group of college activists back where I started my nursing career. Two excellent CPD events organise by the branch and the local RCN office. My contribution was two keynote addresses and

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		two Q&A sessions. My thanks to everyone who took part in the day. One of the key issues for members was the move of services to the new Southern General Hospital, and the concerns about the lack of appropriate parking for staff.
29 <sup>th</sup> January	Special Council meeting	Participation in the Council's discussion of the revised Pay Offer from the Westminster Government. (A brief time out from the Greater Glasgow Branch CPD Event.)
5 February	Governance Support Committee	Regular meeting of the Governance Support Committee
10 February	Royal College of Anaesthetists President's Dinner	Deputising for the President at the RCoA's Annual Dinner and an opportunity to network with a wide range of the senior representatives of the Medical Royal Colleges.
24 February	Communications meeting	Meeting with members of the College's communications team to discuss what support I may need to carry out the Deputy President role.
24 February	RCN Stakeholder dinner	With other members of Council hosting our guests from a wide range of health and social care backgrounds at the College's Annual Stakeholder Dinner, part of our lobbying campaign for the General Election and broader influencing strategy.
25	RCN Awards meeting	Review of all the nominations for RCN
February	(teleconference)	Fellowships and Awards of Merit.
26 February	Business Committee	Meeting of the RCN Business Committee teleconference
February  4 March	(teleconference) Second Special Council Meeting	Review of the feedback from RCN members vote on the Westminster Government's Pay Award.
11 March	Council meeting (last part)	As I was part of a Local Government Peer Review Team visiting North Lincolnshire Council during that week I was only able to attend the last part of the Council meeting.
11 March	Institute of Health Inaugural Fellowship	Attending the Inaugural Award of Fellowships of the new Institute of Health Visiting at Church House Westminster along with RCN Fellow Dame Elizabeth Fradd
17 March	Faculty of Public Health	Participating in a discussion with Faculty members regarding whether its membership can be extend to include professionals working in public health but not on the PH Specialist Registers. Also discussed the opportunities to extend the Faculty's CPD programme to a wider range of PH staff.
19 March	NPPC (teleconference)	Participating in the RCN's NPPC committee.

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20 March	Council Executive Team	Participating in the College's Council Executive
	(teleconference)	Team teleconference
23 March	Political Hustings – Nursing Counts	Along with RCN activists from across the UK, participating in the General Election Hustings Event with 3 Westminster MPs representing the government and opposition spokespersons.