Chartered Society Of Physiotherapy Welsh Board Constitution

1. Title

The English language title of the Board is "The Chartered Society of Physiotherapy Welsh Board"

The Welsh language title of the Board is "Cymdeithas Siartredig Ffisotherapi, Bwrdd Cymreig"

2. Objects

The objects of the Board are to:

- a. Support, inform and influence the strategic direction set by CSP Council.
- Act as a key membership resource to the CSP, supporting CSP Council and CSP Officers
- c. Provide communication and networking with the CSP membership in Wales and promote recruitment to the profession
- d. Support and encourage members in Wales to be involved in CSP activities and campaigns
- e. Consider items of importance to the profession from Welsh Government, the Welsh Parliament/Senedd Cymru and other key Welsh stakeholders and advise appropriately
- f. Provide representation to the Welsh Allied Health Professions Committee (WAHPC), the statutory advisory committee to Welsh Government. 4.1 The Board shall represent all CSP members, including students living or studying within the country. All Board members must be members of the CSP.

3. CSP Policy

The Board shall at all times abide by, and promote, CSP strategies, policies and advice.

4. Board Membership

- 4.1 The Board shall represent all CSP members, including students living or studying within the country. All Board members must be members of the CSP.
- 4.2 The Board should seek to have reps nominated from the following groups as a minimum:

- Area/Health Board representatives
- Private practitioners
- Independent hospitals
- WPhLAG
- Educators
- Support workers
- Newly Qualified
- Students
- Stewards
- Safety Representatives
- Retired Members
- BAME Representative
- Members co-opted onto Board for specific projects (non voting)
- 4.3 Area representatives to the Board can serve two terms of two years before an automatic election. Area representatives will be eligible to stand again after the two terms but the role will be advertised after two terms. If the area representative is holding an Executive position, they will continue in that role until its re-election date.
- 5.3 Board Members who do not attend at least two meetings in a Board Year will be deemed to have resigned (unless there are mitigating circumstances).
- 6.3 The Board may set up short-life working groups, co-opting non-Board members as appropriate.
- 4.6 The CSP Welsh Board Executive may admit other health and social care staff and other persons to meetings as guests. Such persons shall not have the right to vote.

5. Welsh Board Executive Roles

The Board may elect the following officers as an Executive:

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Communications Officer
- WAHPC Representative

5.1 The CSP Welsh Board Executive members are nominated by the Board members and elected at the AGM. They may serve for a term of two years and may not serve more than three consecutive terms in any one role (re-election thereafter may be sought after a break of one year).

6. Meetings

- 6.1 The annual general meeting will be held in the first 3 months of the year and business will include:
 - a. Election of officers
 - b. Review of previous years objectives
 - c. Transact any other business
- 6.2 CSP Welsh Board Executive and CSP Welsh Board Meetings shall be held not less than four times yearly. The meeting format is decided by CSP Welsh Board Executive and may include external speakers relating to their priorities or those of the CSP.
- 6.3 Council members and CSP staff may attend any executive or Board meeting. Questions that arise at a meeting will be discussed openly and the meeting will seek to reach agreement by consensus. If a consensus cannot be reached a decision will be made by a simple majority vote of Board members present.
- 6.4 The quorum will be one third of the Board members as on the day of the meeting.
- 6.5 Matters of urgency will be dealt with between meetings by the Board Executive with a report to Board at the next meeting.
- 6.6 All CSP Board meetings may be conducted remotely or physically. All decisions and motions agreed within a virtual meeting as within a face to face meeting will be considered as binding.

7. Finance and Governance

7.1 The Board governance and financial year will both run from 1 January to 31 December.

- 7.2 Funds for the use of the Board shall be held by the CSP under a separately identifiable budget code.
- 7.3 The Board will abide by such financial advice or instructions as are issued by the CSP or the CSP's auditors.

8. Council powers

- 8.1 The Council may:
- a. disband the Board
- b. remove a member from the Board.
- 8.2 The power to rescind or alter this constitution is vested in the CSP Council.

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