

## **ELECTION OF FELLOWS AND MEMBERS**

15. Subject to the provisions of these Articles, the Council shall have the power to elect Fellows and Members, but no person shall be elected, except in the case of Honorary Fellows and Honorary Members, unless and until he shall have signed an application for membership in such terms as may from time to time be prescribed by the Council, and the Council may from time to time make, alter and repeal bye-laws for regulating the election of Fellows and Members.

As mandated by the membership we are currently working on the strategy for the re-set of the SCPI. Recent Governance training has highlighted our lack of external expertise on the council, to advise us in areas of marketing, lobbying, insurance etc. We propose modernising the council and its current structure. Currently all members of the Council must be members of the SCPI. We would like to alter the criteria for election to the council so we can invite non-members with external expertise to be involved in the decision making for the Profession. By making this change to the Articles of Association we are allowing others who have skill sets that we currently don't have access to, to be involved in the restructuring of the Professional body.

### **Proposal;**

**To amend section 15. Election of Fellowes and Members in the Articles of Association, to allow non-members who have required expertise to be elected or appointed to the Council of the Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists of Ireland.**