

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SPECIALITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ANAESTHETICS HELD ON TUESDAY 2nd OCTOBER 2001 AT 2.15 PM,
IN ROOM C3.18, CASTLE BUILDINGS, STORMONT.**

PRESENT

Dr S Austin
Dr P Elliott
Dr G Furness
Dr P Leydon
Dr I Orr
Dr J M Murray
Dr C McAllister
Dr C Watters

DSPH/REPRESENTATIVE

Dr D Corrigan
Dr D Stewart
Prof. F Kee

DEPARTMENT

Dr P Darragh (Chairman)
Dr N Chada
Dr P Woods
Mrs J Henry (Secretariat)

1. APOLOGIES

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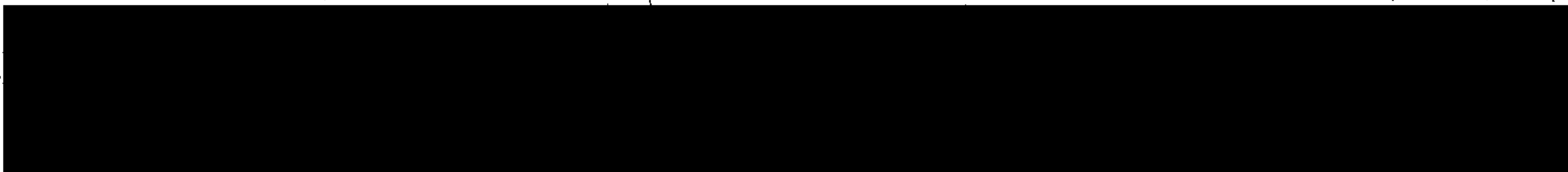
2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 3 OCTOBER 2000

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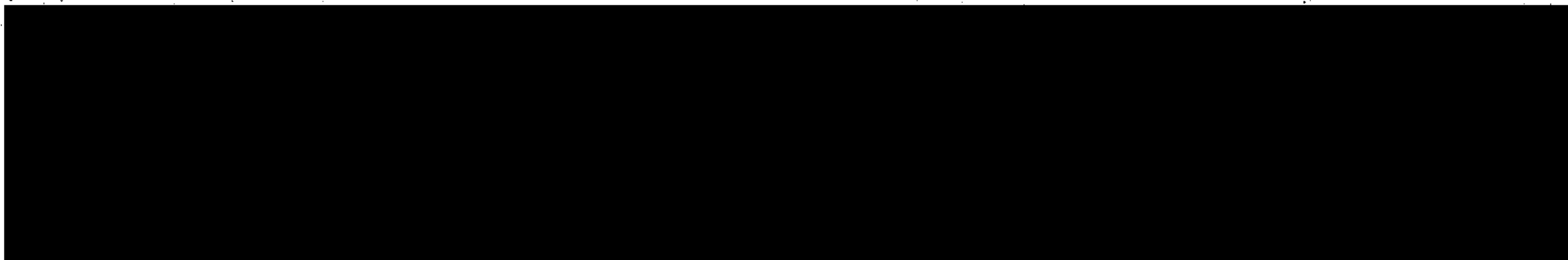
3. MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Intensive Care/Critical Care

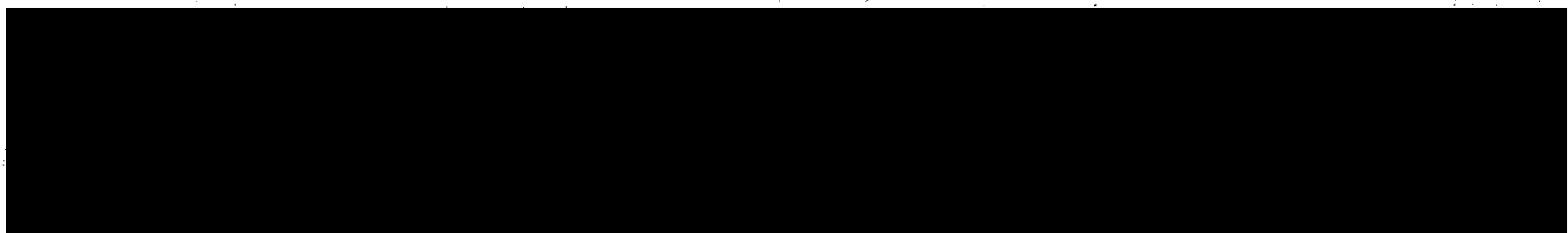
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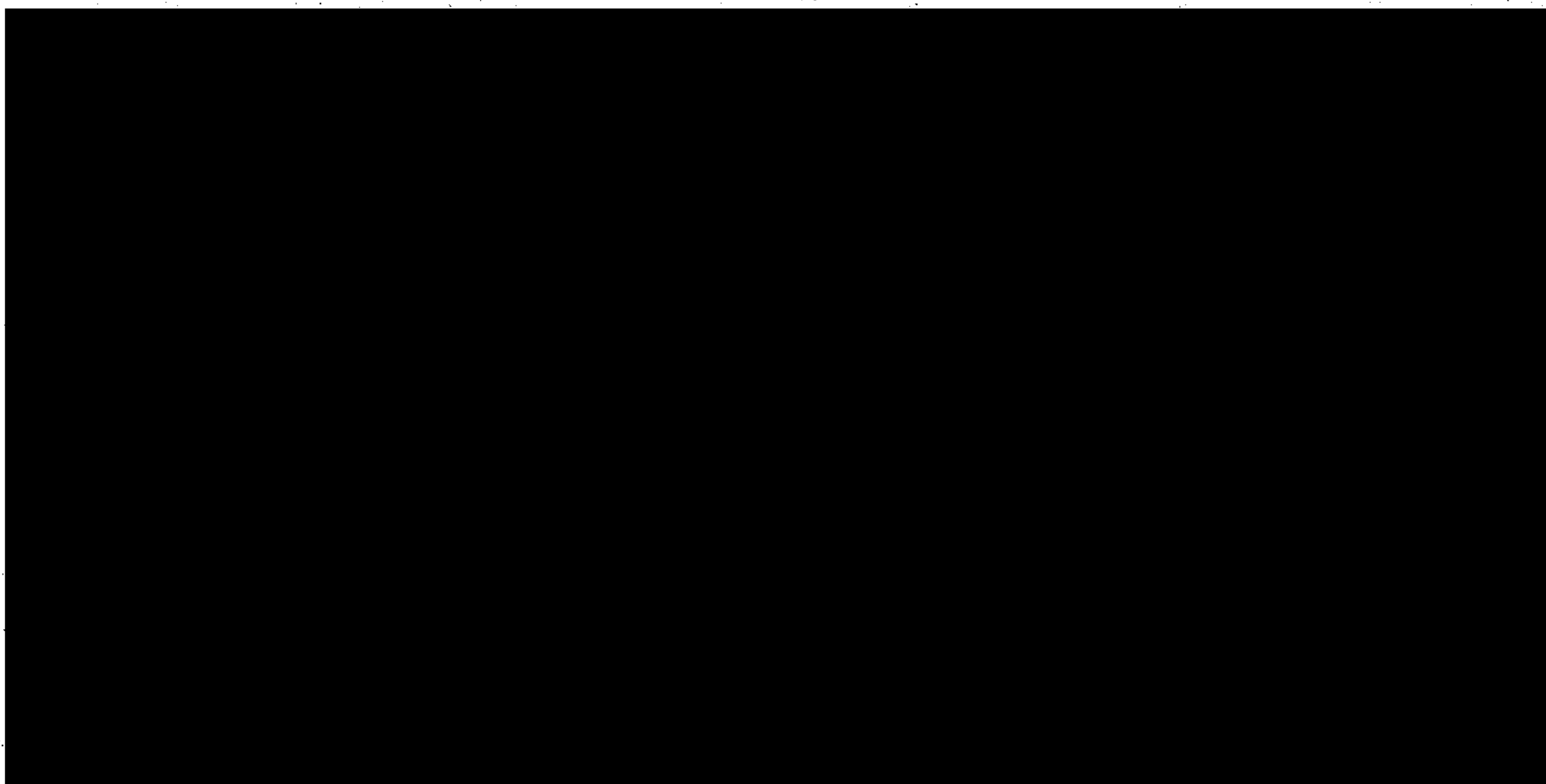
3.2 Dental Anaesthesia



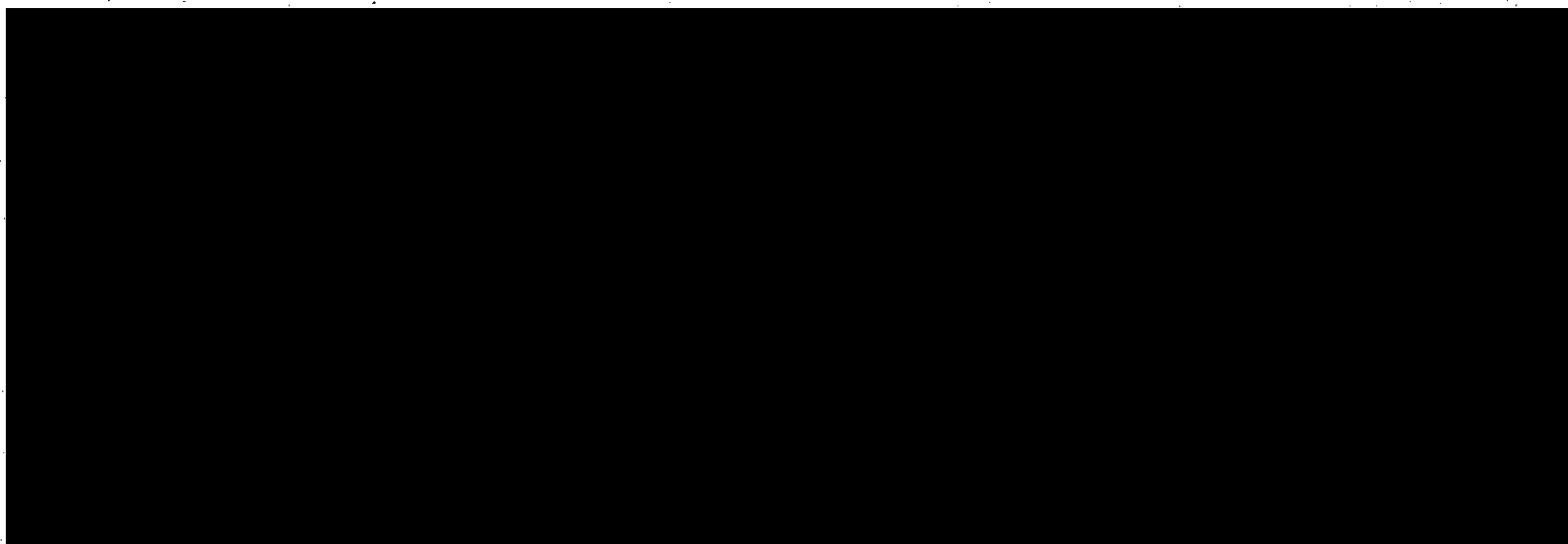
4. REPORT OF THE ACUTE HOSPITALS REVIEW GROUP

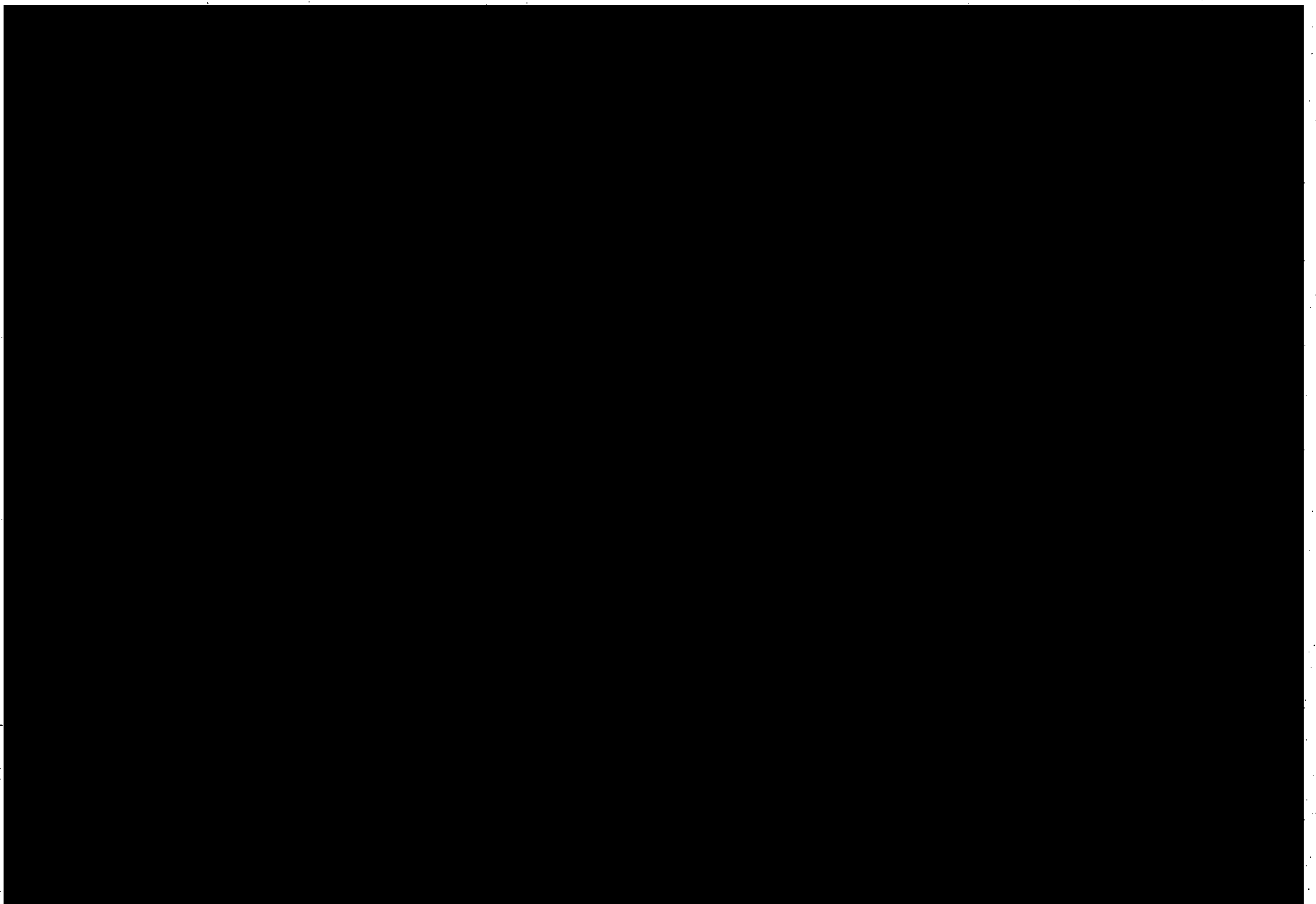


5. PRESSURES IN ANAESTHETIC SERVICES/STAFFING

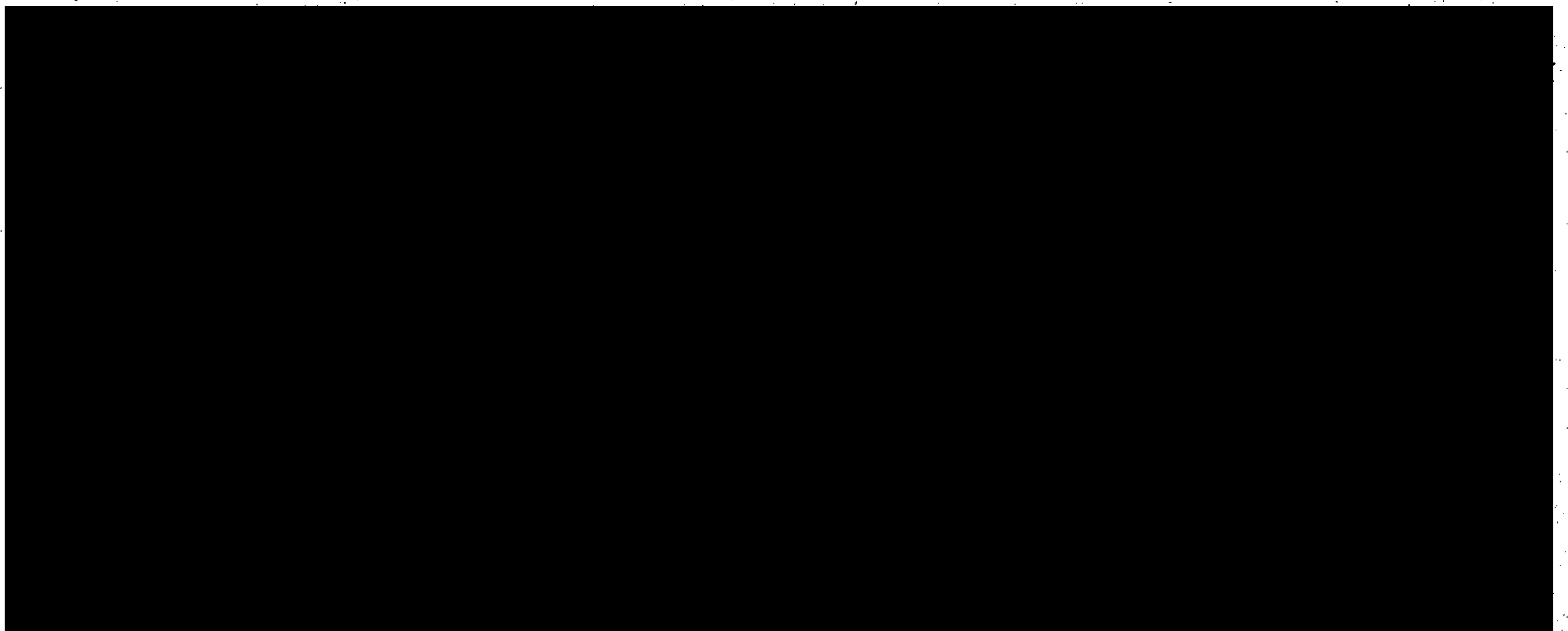


6. WORKFORCE PLANNING





Modernisation of SHO Grade



7. PROGRESS ON QUALITY AGENDA

Members had received a paper, which detailed progress on the Quality agenda. Dr Woods highlighted initiatives and developments that impact on the proposals within the consultative document “Confidence in the Future” These include:-

- The publication of Best Practice – Best Care
- The introduction of appraisal for consultant staff employed by the HPSS
- Progress on the GMC’s proposals for revalidation

- The establishment of the National Clinical Assessment Authority in April 2001. Consideration needs to be given as to the relationship, if any, with the service locally. Similar consideration needs to be given regarding the relationships with the National Patients Safety Agency.
- Recommendations of the Bristol Inquiry

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Hyponatraemia

Dr Darragh drew members' attention to a draft paper that had been prepared as guidance for the service in the prevention of hyponatraemia in children receiving IV fluids. He advised members that they should forward comments to Dr McCarthy.

Dr Darragh thanked everyone for their participation and closed the meeting.