Help & Support for Drug Addiction

The College recognises the need for pastoral care and support for Junior Members who become involved with drugs. Among the courses of action a Junior Member should consider are:

i) seeking medical help either from the College doctor or by contacting the drug and alcohol service, Turning Point Oxford, Rectory Road, Oxford, OX4 1BU; telephone: 01865 261 690. Email: oxfordshire@turning-point.co.uk Website: http://wellbeing.turning-point.co.uk/oxfordshire/hubs/oxford-hub/.

ii) seeking the advice of the College’s welfare team or the University Counselling Service;

iii) approaching the Drugs Squad of the Thames Valley Police. (This course of action may be appropriate for someone acting in the public interest to assist with the conviction of drug dealers; in such circumstances, the police may be expected to maintain confidentiality);

iv) seeking the support and assistance of a Senior Member of College. Junior Members are reminded that the level of confidentiality which can be maintained may be limited, given Senior Members’ responsibilities to the College.

Drugs: Classification, College Disciplinary Action & Health Risks

Under the law it is a criminal offence to take, possess, manufacture, pass to others, supply, or sell drugs, or for the College to be knowingly concerned in the management of premises where any of these things are done.

a) Class A and B drugs
Junior Members who become involved in consuming, manufacturing, passing to others, or selling Class A and B drugs (including, but not limited to, ecstasy, heroin, amphetamine sulphate, LSD, cocaine, cannabis and crack) must expect to be expelled from the College.

b) Class C drugs
Junior Members may also expect disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion, should they be involved with class C drugs.

c) Health risks
Junior Members are reminded of the health risks attendant on unprescribed drug taking, including addiction, damage to mental health, and exposure to secondary diseases including hepatitis, HIV, and AIDS.