

Dear AHPCC Member,

Didn't we have an amazing conference? I am aware about half of you couldn't be there so I hope this website gives you a chance to catch some of the flavour, and to those who were there, a reminder of some of the things we got up to.

Changes to Executive Committee

Firstly by way of introduction, your AGM elected yours truly as the Association's new president. O how embarrassing is that term? – even worse than reverend! But wow, I'm overwhelmed by your support and trust.

We say sad Farewells to Judy Horrocks, our treasurer, who has returned to Parish ministry, and to Lance Blake who's been an executive for goodness knows how long and has regularly punctured any seriousness with a well-aimed hilarious story. Thank you both for your brilliant contributions to the Association and to Chaplaincy in general.

We welcome Judith Morgans who brings a welcome Welsh voice to the table; Markus Lange, who adds substance to our multi-faith claims and has written a great article (look under 'Articles!'); and Sue Clarke from Crawley. Kathryn Jackson, possibly our longest standing member, remains on. It is a huge encouragement that new members have volunteered. Find out more about the executive on this website.

I also want to thank Richard Whitehouse, a volunteer behind the scenes, who does all the techy business that makes this website possible. Richard, you're a gem!

The Exec has its first meeting in August. If you have any issues you would like raised please email the secretary, Karen Murphy, secretary@ahpcc.org.uk

Forum Discussion

Please use and respond to this section of the website. We all have questions to ask – how can we work a 30th anniversary? Got any good marriage blessings? What's all this malarkey about registration? Spiritual assessment; Help; I need to do an audit! And all have advice to give. Remember, for everyone who asks a question, there'll be 50 others to whom it also applies.

Enjoy your rummage through the website and let us know any observations you'd like to make – we'll always be keen to tweak and improve things.

I hope you enjoyed the World Cup and Wimbledon, or, that you found escape from them, depending on your view.

God bless.

Steve (Barnes)