

Good afternoon

The AGM is an excellent occasion for SHINE members to find out about the work of the Committee over the past year. I am delighted as current co-chair of SHINE, alongside my co-chair (your host this morning) Andy Jackson, to be presiding over the first SHINE AGM which will be available as a podcast to all our members on the SHINE website.

This will truly enable the opening up of SHINE, providing clearer more transparent governance to members who for whatever reason, maybe part-time, solo or remote are unable to attend the AGM in person. This builds on the work to make SHINE truly accountable to all members which started with the introduction of postal voting a couple of years ago.

Over the past year the SHINE Committee has met 5 times, once in Dundee and four times in Glasgow.

I would like to record my thanks to those who have served on the committee over the past year : the co-chairs (Lynn Easton and Andy Jackson), Alison Bogle, Helen Marlborough, Malcolm Dobson, George Dougary, Catriona Denoon, Michelle Kirkwood, Valerie McClure, Tracey McKee and Shona McQuistan.

I would particularly like to take this opportunity to thank Gill Earl for her patience whilst we transferred the Treasurer post which took some time in order to comply with the constitution.

I would like to thank Shona McQuistan who had to step down earlier this year. I would also like to thank the following committee members who have put a huge amount of effort into their roles and are standing down at this AGM. Helen Marlborough (who has been our secretary), Malcolm Dobson (who has been both Membership Co-ordinator and Marketing Co-ordinator) and finally 6 years worth of thank yous to Catriona Denoon who has served her full term of 6 years on the Committee – reporting back on the work of both the CPD group and the Union List.

Could I ask for a round of applause for all the Committee Members please?

You will shortly hear more about the work of SHINE from our working group reports but I would like to acknowledge that the work of the Committee could not happen if it were not for the hard work put in at grassroots level by our members, whether they are using lis-shine to solve an interlibrary loan query or writing a book report for the SHINE Journal. Each and every one of us makes a difference to SHINE and therefore to healthcare in Scotland. And for that alone I would like to finish now with asking you to join in with the biggest round of applause possible to thank all our valued members.

Lynn Easton & Andy Jackson  
Co-Chairs