



**2017 ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF
LOCAL DENTAL COMMITTEES**

CONFERENCE PAPERS

Thursday 8 and Friday 9 June

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**To: LDC Conference Representatives and Observers
General Dental Practice Committee Members**

Dear Colleagues,

I look forward to welcoming you to the 66th Annual Conference of Local Dental Committees which is being held at the Birmingham NEC Hilton Metropole Hotel on Thursday the 8 June and Friday 9 June.

I was very flattered that Theresa May chose to hold a snap election on the day of my conference, presumably to direct attention away from dentistry and the current chaos in the NHS, clever. Please remember that you might need to arrange a postal vote if you are travelling on the Thursday to Birmingham.

We are continuing with the two-day format which after initial rumbles proved to be very popular. It was especially successful in avoiding the mass afternoon exodus we used to see at one day conferences.

No-one was more surprised than me two years ago when nominated from the conference floor I was elected to chair for 2017. I am honoured but a bit suspicious that it was intended to shut me up for three years. I have taken my election as a mandate to change conference and shake things up a bit. We are tired of hearing that the GDC are "listening", seeing busy "PowerPoint slides" but not experiencing any improvement in their behavior. We are fed up hearing that CAPITA are "sorry" but not seeing any improvement in their system. We are bored being promised a minister who cancels at the last minute. This year I did not invite any of them.

We need to look forward as a profession and I wanted this conference to reflect the need to secure the future for the graduates of 2017 and those young dentists who have only worked under the discredited UDA contract of 2006.

I have asked Claire Stevens consultant in children's dentistry to talk about seeing our young patients from the beginning of their lives. There is a 'Question Time' session with Professor Sara Hurley, Professor Nairn Wilson, Henrik Overgaard Neilson, Nikki Patel and Paul Worskett. Chair of GDPC will tell us of any progress and the results of last year's motions. John Milne will outline his work to streamline regulation and finally Professor Wilson will tell us where he sees dentistry in 20 years' time.

At the centre of Conference are the motions proposed by LDCs. Thank you, we had almost 70 motions submitted this year. There were some recurring themes and with great help from Nick Stolls (past Chair) and Joe Hendron (Chair-elect) we have whittled it down to mid-twenties. Many motions are already GDPC policy, we need innovation and debate so please if this has upset you or your LDC get up and tell us!

This conference will be the first one we have filmed. The importance of conference is not recognised by many colleagues. Conference is the only forum where we, the representatives of our LDCs voice our concerns to help direct GDPC in their negotiations with government, the NHS and the regulators. We are undertaking research with the iPads to discover if LDC Conference is representative of the dental workforce.

Electronic voting at this year's Conference will again involve the iPad system which last year was found to improve the visibility of slides and enhance engagement during the event. The system does need to be customised in advance to reflect the voting entitlements of each individual attending. If you have registered for the conference as a GDPC member but are also due to attend in the capacity of LDC representative, please do contact **Fiona Feltham** as soon as possible (fiona.feltham@bda.org / 020 7563 6876) so that the system may be configured correctly. Once configured, one of the additional advantages that the iPad system will allow is to identify the voting



patterns on an individual LDC basis so reports could be generated should an LDC wish to identify how their delegates had voted.

Thursday evening's Conference Dinner will also be held at hotel and will include the presentation of awards to Unsung Heroes within the LDC community. Master of Ceremonies for the dinner will be former Conference Chair Tony Jacobs and the after dinner speaker will be Kevin Lewis, former Dental Director or Dental Protection. The evening begins with a drinks reception at 19:15 with dinner due to commence at 20:00. Dress code is black tie. If you have not yet booked tickets, again please contact Fiona (fiona.feltham@bda.org / 020 7563 6876). Dinner tickets will be sent out by email in advance and act as confirmation of your place. This year we have the facility to offer you the opportunity to tailor your own menu for the evening. As a result you will receive an email from the hotel inviting you to select dishes from a shortlist we have compiled. You must complete this in advance of the event and if you fail to do so we'll choose for you!

If you have not yet made accommodation arrangements, please do contact **MICE Concierge the appointed hotel agents, on 01438 908 770.**

Also a reminder that those attending the event as LDC Representatives are required to use appointed travel agency Ian Allan Travel to book flights and trains on account. To help you with your travel plans it may be useful to highlight that lunch is from 12:30 on the Thursday, with Conference proceedings commencing at 13:30. Conference proceedings are due to end on the Friday at 12:30, followed by lunch until 13:30. **Please call 0117 9305 200** to make your travel arrangements.

We are supported this year by another impressive array of companies, with Simplyhealth Professionals having kindly agreed to be our Platinum sponsor, and Dental Elite the Gold sponsor. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our sponsors and exhibitors for their support.

Although we are emailing all the Conference papers to pre-registered delegates, they will also be on the LDC Conference website at www.ldcuk.org and available on your iPads during the Conference. Any relevant updates will also be available on the site along with a report of the Conference after the event.

Can I particularly thank the Conference Agenda Committee of Past-chair Nick Stolls, Chair-elect Joe Hendron, Treasurer Will Newport, Shareena Ilyas, Alison Lockyer and Tony Jacobs together with Henrik Overgaard-Nielsen (Chair of GDPC) who has helped me to create a conference which I hope you will enjoy and find stimulating. I want to also say a particular thank you to the BDA staff especially Alex Cenic and to the Events team of Fiona Feltham and Susie Mulcahy.

In view of some of the changes we are making to conference this year I would really encourage your feedback which will be on your iPads to assist us with future conferences.

I look forward to meeting you in Birmingham.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alisdair'.

Alisdair McKendrick
Chair of LDC Conference 2017



LDC Annual Conference

Agenda

(Subject to change without notice)

Thursday 8 and Friday 9 June 2017 at Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel

Chaired by Alisdair McKendrick

Thursday 8 June

12:00 Registration, bag drop and networking

12:30 Lunch and exhibition time

13:30 Conference opens with Chair's address

13:35 iPad training

13:40 Building a future practice

Claire Stevens, Consultant in Paediatric Dentistry

14:15 Conference motions

14:45 Afternoon refreshment and exhibition break

15:15 'Question time' debate

Sara Hurley (CDO)

Henrik Overgaard-Nielson (GDPC)

Nikki Patel (Representative of BDA Young Dentist Committee)

Naim Wilson (Future of dentistry)

Paul Worskett (Prototype Provider)

16:15 Conference motions

16:45 Nominations

- i. Chair Elect for Conference 2019 with nominations taken from the floor
(two minutes will be offered to candidates to make an election address to Conference prior to the vote)
- ii. Honorary Treasurer of Conference - nominations taken from the floor
- iii. Two Honorary Auditors to the Conference - nominations taken from the floor
- iv. Two representatives to the Conference Agenda Committee (who are not members of the GDPC at the time of election) with nominations taken from the floor
- v. One Representative to the Board of Managers of the British Dental Guild with nominations taken from the floor

17:00 Report of the Honorary Treasurer to the Conference and accounts for the year to 31 October 2016

17:05 Standing Orders (proposed amendments)

17:10 Charity presentations followed by Q&A

British Dental Guild

BDA Benevolent Fund

Dentists Health Support Trust

17:30 Conference afternoon session closes

Friday 9 June

08:30 Morning registration, refreshments and exhibition time

09:10 Chair's welcome to day two and voting preparation

09:15 An update from Henrik Overgaard-Nielson (Chair, GDPC)

09:45 Elections (where required)

- i. Chair Elect for Conference 2019
- ii. Honorary Treasurer of Conference
- iii. Two Honorary Auditors to the Conference
- iv. One Representative to the Conference Agenda Committee
- v. Two Representatives to the GDPC with nominations previously submitted
- vi. One Representative to the Board of Managers of the British Dental Guild

09:50 Conference motions

11:00 Morning refreshments and exhibition time

11:30 'By us – for us' (John Milne, Regulation of Dental Services Programme Board)

12:00 'Future of dentistry' a presentation by Professor Nairn Wilson CBE

12:25 Induction of new Chair

12:30 Closing remarks

12:30 Lunch and exhibition time

13:30 Event end and all depart

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Delegate list

(Correct as at 05.05.17)

Name	Attending capacity	LDC / Organisation
Mick Armstrong	Chair	BDA PEC
Vijay Aggarwal	LDC Representative	Trafford
Stuart Allan	LDC Representative	West Pennine
John Atkins	LDC Representative	Wiltshire
Reeta Atwal	LDC Representative	Warwickshire
Ruby Austin	GDPC	
Clare Banks	LDC Representative	North Staffordshire
Mike Barnett	LDC Representative	Tees
Mark Barrat	OBSERVER	Trafford
Harmail Bassi	LDC Representative	Bexley & Greenwich
Roger Bayes	LDC Representative	Lincolnshire
Sanjeev Bedi	LDC Representative	Sunderland
Tam Bekele	OBSERVER	East London & The City
Andrew Bell	LDC Representative	Norfolk
Pinkoo Bose	LDC Representative	Berkshire
Matt Botha	LDC Representative	West Sussex
Judith Brady	Chair-elect	Scottish LDC Conference
David Brindley	LDC Representative	Walsall
Kevin Brown	LDC Representative	Dorset
Phillip Brown	OBSERVER	Wirral
John Cantwell	LDC Representative	Avon
Suresh Chande	LDC Representative	Kensington, Chelsea & Westminster
Shawn Charlwood	GDPC	
Katrina Clarke	GDPC	
Michael Clarke	LDC Representative	Ealing, Hammersmith & Hounslow
John Coble	OBSERVER	Dorset
Matthew Collins	LDC Representative	Calderdale & Huddersfield
David Cooper	LDC Representative	Wolverhampton
David Cottam	GDPC	
Peter Crooks	GDPC	
Steve Croston	LDC Representative	Liverpool
Eddie Crouch	LDC Representative	Birmingham
Andrew Dale	GDPC	
Charlie Daniels	GDPC	
Snehal Dattani	LDC Representative	Surrey
Philip Davenport	LDC Representative	Birmingham
Michael Denooijer	LDC Representative	Hertfordshire

Richard Denton	OBSERVER	Doncaster
Onkar Dhanoya	GDPC	
Pip Dhariwal	LDC Representative	Berkshire
Laura Doherty	OBSERVER	Bedfordshire
Robert Donald	GDPC	
Ian Duthie	LDC Representative	Croydon
Marion English	GDPC	
Geraint Evans	LDC Representative	Northamptonshire
Leah Farrell	GDPC	
Liam Ferguson	LDC Representative	North Tyne
Mohammed Fiaz	OBSERVER	Coventry
Simon Flaherty	LDC Representative	Mid Mersey
John Gatus	LDC Representative	Doncaster
Russell Gidney	LDC Representative	Gwent
Ravi Goel	LDC Representative	Bedfordshire
Ian Gordon	LDC Representative	North Yorkshire
Philip Gowers	LDC Representative	Hampshire & Isle Of Wight
Siobhan Grant	LDC Representative	Durham County
Richard Grant	OBSERVER	Northumberland
Mark Green	LDC Representative	North Yorkshire
Chris Groombridge	OBSERVER	East Riding
Satish Gupta	LDC Representative	Redbridge & Waltham Forest
Toby Hancock	GDPC	
Tim Harker	LDC Representative	Gwent
John Harkes	LDC Representative	Cumbria
Clive Harris	OBSERVER	Birmingham
Elizabeth Hartle	GDPC	
Esmail Harunani	LDC Representative	Lambeth, Southwark & Lewisham
Nadeem Harunani	LDC Representative	Lambeth, Southwark & Lewisham
Laura Heap	LDC Representative	Bury & Rochdale
Simon Hearnshaw	LDC Representative	East Riding
William Henderson	LDC Representative	Gateshead & South Tyneside
Joe Hendron	Chair-elect	LDC Conference
Somshekar Hirekodi	LDC Representative	Barking and Havering
Timothy Hodges	LDC Representative	Devon
Peter Hodgkinson	Past Chair	LDC Conference
Tim Hogan	LDC Representative	Kent
Caroline Holland	Freelance	PRESS
Michael Horton	LDC Representative	North Wales
Judith Husband	LDC Representative	Oxfordshire
Az Hyder	GDPC	
Shareena Ilyas	Member	LDC Agenda Committee
Tony Jacobs	Member	LDC Agenda Committee
Sushil John	LDC Representative	Croydon
Priya Kanzaria	GDPC	

Hatim Kapadia	LDC Representative	Camden & Islington
Barry Kinshuck	LDC Representative	Wigan
Davinderpal Kooner	LDC Representative	Ealing, Hammersmith & Hounslow
Suresh Kumar	LDC Representative	Sandwell
Jim Lafferty	GDPC	
David Lee	LDC Representative	Devon
Roger Levy	LDC Representative	Enfield & Haringey
Bhawmesh Liladhar	LDC Representative	Barking and Havering
Anthony Lipschitz	LDC Representative	Bedfordshire
Alison Lockyer	Member	LDC Agenda Committee
Martin Longbottom	LDC Representative	West Pennine
Andre Louw	LDC Representative	Somerset
Jackie Luscombe	LDC Representative	Sheffield
Eddie MacKenzie	The Dentist	PRESS
Ramy Magdy	LDC Representative	Gloucestershire
Ruby Mahal	LDC Representative	Leicestershire
Grish Malhotra	LDC Representative	Redbridge & Waltham Forest
Mohammed Reza Manbajood	LDC Representative	East London & The City
Philip Martin	GDPC	
Sarah May	LDC Representative	Leicestershire
Paul Mccrory	LDC Representative	Bury & Rochdale
Allan McCulloch	OBSERVER	North Staffordshire
Don Mcgrath	GDPC	
David McIntyre	Chair	Scottish LDC Conference
Alisdair McKendrick	Chair	LDC Conference
Robert Mew	LDC Representative	Devon
Craig Mitchell	LDC Representative	Sheffield
Jane Moore	LDC Representative	Leeds
Adam Morby	GDPC	
Julia Morris	LDC Representative	South Cheshire
Hanif Moti	LDC Representative	Leicestershire
Saleem Mulla	LDC Representative	South Staffordshire
Jonathan Mynors-wallis	LDC Representative	Dorset
Shaz Naseem	OBSERVER	Milton Keynes
Will Newport	Treasurer	LDC Conference
Paul Newton	LDC Representative	Durham County
Andrew North	LDC Representative	Derby County
Mark Nugent	LDC Representative	Kent
Mark O'hara	LDC Representative	West Sussex
Leo O'Hara	LDC Representative	Gloucestershire
Joanna O'Sullivan	LDC Representative	Leeds
Henrik Overgaard-Nielson	Chair	General Dental Practice Committee
Jimmey Palahey	LDC Representative	Nottinghamshire
Nigel Parkash	LDC Representative	North Tyne

Mark Parker	LDC Representative	Surrey
Amish Patel	GDPC	
Pratik Patel	LDC Representative	Brent & Harrow
Hetal Patel	LDC Representative	Brent & Harrow
Nilesh Patel	LDC Representative	Buckinghamshire
Lalit Patel	LDC Representative	Hillingdon
Ujwal Patel	LDC Representative	Kent
Vikas Patel	LDC Representative	Kent
Minesh Patel	LDC Representative	Kingston & Richmond
Jayesh Patel	LDC Representative	Lambeth, Southwark & Lewisham
Naresh Patel	LDC Representative	Nottinghamshire
Nick Patsias	LDC Representative	Bromley
Peter Pearson	LDC Representative	Cumbria
Keith Percival	LDC Representative	Hampshire & Isle Of Wight
Ralph Pickup	LDC Representative	East Lancashire
Bruce Porteous	LDC Representative	Sefton
Bill Powell	LDC Representative	Liverpool
Mark Preston	LDC Representative	Essex
Malcolm Prideaux	LDC Representative	Devon
Smita Rajani	LDC Representative	Hertfordshire
Farah Ramjohn	LDC Representative	Barnet
Jonathan Randall	GDPC	
Giles Ratcliffe	LDC Representative	Calderdale & Huddersfield
Sanjay Rayarel	LDC Representative	Buckinghamshire
Yusra Razzaq	LDC Representative	Bolton
Philippa Riseley-prichard	LDC Representative	Wiltshire
John Roberts	LDC Representative	South Staffordshire
Brian Robertson	LDC Representative	Norfolk
Jim Rochford	LDC Representative	Manchester
Paul Rolfe	LDC Representative	Suffolk
Alan Ross	LDC Representative	Barnet
Noor Sacoar	LDC Representative	Ealing, Hammersmith & Hounslow
James Sanders	OBSERVER	Rotherham
Bharpur Sanghera	LDC Representative	Cambridge
Vinod Sehmi	OBSERVER	Bromley
Paresh Shah	OBSERVER	Camden & Islington
Vishaal Shah	LDC Representative	Hertfordshire
Daylesh Shah	LDC Representative	Merton, Sutton & Wandsworth
Amar Shah	LDC Representative	Northamptonshire
Stephen Shimberg	GDPC	
William Sidhu	LDC Representative	Coventry
Martin Skipper	OBSERVER	Hillingdon
Jon Slattery	LDC Representative	Manchester
Adam Smith	LDC Representative	Norfolk
Adetoun Soyombo	LDC Representative	Milton Keynes

Adrian Spencer	OBSERVER	Wakefield
Matthew Spencer Brown	LDC Representative	East London & The City
Susan Stevens	LDC Representative	Dudley
Nick Stolls	Immediate Past Chair	LDC Conference
Nish Suchak	LDC Representative	East Sussex
Vijay Sudra	LDC Representative	Birmingham
Agi Tarnowski	LDC Representative	West Sussex
Peter Tatton	LDC Representative	Hertfordshire
Melissa Taylor	LDC Representative	Cornwall & Isles Of Scilly
Andrew Taylor	LDC Representative	Cornwall & Isles Of Scilly
Duncan Thomas	LDC Representative	Northumberland
Steven Thompson	LDC Representative	Rotherham
Nick Thorpe-Beeston	LDC Representative	East Sussex
Stephen Tidman	Freelance	PRESS
Eamonn Toner	GDPC	
Roz Tritton	LDC Representative	Oxfordshire
Arif Ullah	OBSERVER	Redbridge and Waltham Forest
Nick Vaid	LDC Representative	East Sussex
Pradeep Vohra	GDPC	
Jonathan Ward	LDC Representative	Derby County
Peter Ward	Chief Executive	BDA
Jenny Warham	LDC Representative	Warwickshire
Samuel Watson	LDC Representative	South Humber
Michael Watson	Freelance	PRESS
Philip Wee	LDC Representative	Camden & Islington
Guy Wells	LDC Representative	North Yorkshire
Brian Westbury	Past Chair	LDC Conference
David Westgarth	BDJ In Practice	PRESS
Barry Westwood	LDC Representative	Surrey
Richard White	LDC Representative	Wakefield
Penny Whitehead	Head of Policy Research and Business Advice	BDA
Richard Wilczynski	GDPC	
Lionel Williams	LDC Representative	Merton, Sutton & Wandsworth
Rich Willis	LDC Representative	South Cheshire
Huw Winstone	LDC Representative	Kent
Jason Wong	LDC Representative	Lincolnshire
Cheryl Wood	GDPC	
Mark Woodger	LDC Representative	Mid Mersey
Martin Woodrow	Director of Policy and Professional Services	BDA
Hannah Woolnough	LDC Representative	Suffolk
Geoffrey Worrall	LDC Representative	Somerset
Mark Wright	LDC Representative	Surrey
Stephen Wright	LDC Representative	Wirral



Standing Orders of the Annual Conference of LDCs

1. Annual Conference of Local Dental Committees

The LDC Conference Agenda Committee shall convene each year a Conference of Representatives of Local Dental Committees.

2. Special Conference of Local Dental Committees

A Special Conference of Local Dental Committees may be convened at any time by the LDC Conference Agenda Committee and shall be convened not later than one month after the requisition of not less than 20 Local Dental Committees, the period of one month being modified only by agreement of a majority of the Committees making the requisition. All the expenses of a Special Conference convened on requisition shall be defrayed out of the Conference Fund.

3. Members of Conference

The Annual Conference and Special Conference shall be composed of representatives of Local Dental Committees, the members of the General Dental Practice Committee and the members of the Conference Agenda Committee.

4. Appointment of Representatives

- a. ~~The LDC Conference shall comprise 150 representatives from the Local Dental Committees of England and Wales.~~
- b. ~~LDCs~~A Local Dental Committee shall be able to appoint its representative/s in proportion to the total value of the GDS contracts within the area represented by the appointing LDC.
- c. The allocation of representatives for each Local Dental Committee shall be determined by the LDC Conference Treasurer, using data for GDS total contract values, which is provided by the NHS in the financial year preceding the Conference. ~~Each Local Dental Committee in England, Wales and Northern Ireland shall be entitled to appoint one representative for each 150 practitioners, or part thereof, on the LDC electoral roll for the area on September 30 immediately preceding the Annual Conference.~~
- d. Scotland shall be entitled to appoint a maximum of five representatives of Scottish Local Dental Committees elected by the Scottish Conference of Local Dental Committees.

- e. Northern Ireland shall be entitled to appoint a maximum of five representatives from Local Dental Committees in Northern Ireland.
- f. Every representative shall, at the time of Conference, be a member of the appointing Local Dental Committee.
- g. Every representative will, at the time of the Conference, be a dentist registrant of the General Dental Council.
- h. Named non-registrants may attend as observers at the discretion of the Chair of the Conference.
- i. A Local Dental Committee entitled to appoint only one representative may also appoint one named observer from their LDC to attend the Conference, such an observer having no power to vote, and whose attendance at the Conference shall be at the expense of the appointing Local Dental Committee.

5. Proposal of Motions to an Annual Conference

- a. Motions for the Conference Agenda may be proposed by any Local Dental Committee or by the General Dental Practice Committee
- b. either the General Dental Practice Committee nor any Local Dental Committee may not normally propose more than two motions unless agreed by the LDC Conference Chair.
- c. No motion shall normally be included in the Conference Agenda unless notice thereof is received in writing by the LDC Conference Agenda Committee Secretary not less than six weeks before the date of the Conference.
- d. Motions thus received shall be circulated to all Local Dental Committees not less than four weeks before the Conference.
- e. Motions shall be agreed with the submitting LDC, where there is a need to re-draft a motion for clarity.
- f. Motions of an urgent nature may be admitted for debate at the discretion of the Conference Chair, notwithstanding that notice was not given as specified above.

6. Procedure as to Seconding Motions and Amendments

No seconder shall be required for any circulated motion or amendment proposed to the Conference by the General Dental Practice Committee or by a Local Dental Committee, but seconders shall be required for all other propositions.

7. Conference Agenda Committee

- a. The Agenda Committee shall consist of the Conference Chair, Chair-Elect and Immediate Past Chair of the Annual Conference, the Honorary Treasurer, the Chair of the General Dental Practice Committee, and three Local Dental Committee representative members of Conference who shall not be a member of the GDPC at the time of election. The Committee shall be chaired by the Conference Chair.
- b. The duty of the Conference Agenda Committee shall be to settle the Order of the Agenda for the Annual or any Special Conference, to make recommendations to the Conference as to the conduct of the business and Conference arrangements generally, to ensure that Conference resolutions are considered expeditiously and appropriately by the General Dental Practice Committees or other appropriate bodies, and to report such resolutions to Conference representatives in a timely manner.

- c. The Conference Agenda Committee shall have the power to invite to Conference special observers, where the Committee judge the attendance of such observers likely to assist Conference in its work. Special observers shall be able to speak but shall not be able to vote.

8. Composition of Agenda

- a. Motions shall so far as possible be arranged into blocks according to their general subject.
- b. The Agenda Committee shall have power to direct that any two or more motions shall be debated together while being voted on individually, or, where they reiterate existing policy collectively. Motions grouped in this way shall be indicated on the Agenda.
- c. The Agenda Committee shall have power to direct that a single motion shall be included in the Agenda in substitution for any two or more motions proposed by Local Dental Committees, the substitute motion being indicated on the Agenda together with the motions which it replaces.
- d. The Agenda Committee may indicate with a 'P' (for 'Policy') motions which, in the opinion of the Agenda Committee, represent a reaffirmation of existing Conference policy. The Conference Chair shall have power to put such motions indicated to the Conference without debate.
- e. A motion included in the Conference Agenda shall be withdrawn only with the consent of Conference.

9. Rules of Debate

- a. A member of the meeting shall stand when speaking and shall address the Chair unless prevented by physical infirmity.
- b. Every member shall be seated except the one who may be addressing the meeting, and when the Conference Chair rises no one shall continue to stand, nor shall anyone else rise until the Chair is resumed, and the Conference Chair shall be deemed to have risen when speaking to the Conference.
- c. A member shall not address the meeting more than once on any motion or any amendment, but the mover of the resolution or amendment may reply and in his reply shall confine him or herself strictly to the answering of previous speakers and shall not introduce any new matter into the debate.
- d. Subject to the right of Conference by resolution to vary the time allowed to speakers, no speech whether in moving a resolution or otherwise, shall exceed three minutes in length, provided that no speech shall exceed 1 minute where the speaker is exercising his right of reply to amendment.
- e. Where motions have been grouped for debate together, under Standing Order 8b, no amendment to an individual motion shall be considered until the general debate has been concluded and the motion is to be put to the vote.
- f. If Conference decides to restrict the time available for discussion of motions, then the proposer of any motion must be given the opportunity to: (a) present the motion subject to that time constraint, or (b) withdraw the motion, or (c) agree that the motion be referred to the GDPC for consideration without debate or vote.
- g. The Conference Chair shall have power to curtail debate and move on to the next business provided that the mover of any motion or amendment so curtailed shall have the right to reply before a vote is taken.

- h. A proposal 'that the meeting proceed to the next business' or 'that the question be now put' shall require a two thirds majority of those present and voting.

10. Amendments

An amendment shall be: to leave out words; to leave out words and insert or add others (provided that a substantial part of the motion remains and the original intention of the motion is not enlarged or substantially altered); to insert words; or be in such form as shall be approved by the Conference Chair.

- a. No amendment to any motion shall be considered by Conference unless notice thereof is received in writing by the Secretary of the Conference Agenda Committee not less than five days before the date of the Conference, except that amendments to correct drafting errors or ambiguities shall be accepted without notice.
- b. No urgent amendment from the floor shall be considered until a copy of the same with the name of the proposer and seconder has been handed in writing to the Conference Chair.
- c. Subject to the above conditions of reply, where an amendment has been received by Conference the mover of the motion to be amended shall have the right to reply to the proposed amendment.
- d. Whenever an amendment to an original motion has been moved and seconded no subsequent amendment shall be moved until the first amendment has been disposed of, but notice of any number of amendments may be given to the Conference Chair.
- e. If an amendment be carried the motion as amended shall take the place of the original motion and shall become the substantive motion upon which any further amendment may be moved.

11. Voting

- a. Save as provided in Standing Order 13(c) only representatives of Local Dental Committees and of the Conference Agenda Committee shall be entitled to vote.
- b. The voting rights of each country's representatives shall be restricted to issues relating to their country, and issues which relate to the United Kingdom as a whole. This shall be indicated against the motion on the Conference Agenda.
- c. Voting shall be by show of hands, or by electronic means, unless a formal division is requested and seconded. Where a request for a formal division has been made the request shall be put to the vote immediately and without debate and decided by a show of hands.
- d. Where a formal division is agreed, the names and votes of members present shall be taken and recorded, votes and abstentions being reported in the minutes of the Conference according to LDC rather than to individual members.
- e. Where the number of votes cast is equal, the Conference Chair has the right to a casting vote.

12. Motions not debated

The proposers of motions which have not been debated by the close of the Conference shall be invited to submit explanatory memoranda in support of their motions, which with

the motions to which they relate shall stand referred to the General Dental Practice Committee for consideration.

13. Election of Conference Chair

- a. At each Annual Conference a Chair-Elect shall be chosen to hold office as Chair-Elect from the end of the Conference at which he or she is chosen to the end of the following Annual Conference, and then to become Conference Chair until the end of the next following Annual Conference.
- b. Nominations for the Chair-Elect shall be made from the floor of the Conference.
- c. All members of the Conference shall be entitled to vote.
- d. Should the Conference Chair or Chair-Elect demit Office for any reason before completing a full term, the Conference Agenda Committee shall have the discretion to appoint a deputy until the following Annual or Special Conference, whichever is sooner.

14. Election of Conference Representative

At each Annual Conference one person shall be elected to the Conference Agenda Committee to hold office from the end of the Conference at which he is elected for a period of three years. Nominations shall be made from the floor.

15. Election of Members of General Dental Practice Committee

- a. At each Annual Conference one person shall be elected to the General Dental Practice Committee to hold office from the end of the Conference at which he is elected to the end of the third following Annual Conference.
- b. If any person so elected shall die or retire or otherwise cease to represent the Conference on the General Dental Practice Committee before the expiration of his term of office the vacancy thereby created may be filled by election at the next following Annual Conference and the person then elected shall hold office for the remainder of the term of office of the person he succeeds.
- c. Nominations for election shall be made by Local Dental Committees and shall be sent to the Secretary of the Conference Agenda Committee in writing so as to reach him or her not later than six weeks before the Conference.

16. Election of Managers of British Dental Guild

At each Annual Conference a representative shall be elected to serve upon the Board of Managers of the British Dental Guild.

17. Returning Officer

The Chief Executive of the British Dental Association, or, in the absence of the Chief Executive, an appointed deputy, shall act as Returning Officer in connection with all elections.

18. Honorary Treasurer

- a. At each Annual Conference an Honorary Treasurer shall be elected and he or she shall hold office until the end of the next succeeding Annual Conference.
- b. It shall be the duty of the Honorary Treasurer to receive monies forming the Conference Fund and to hold and disburse such monies in accordance with the instructions of the Annual Conference. He shall prepare and submit such Accounts as the Conference shall require.

19. Honorary Auditors

At each Annual Conference two Honorary Auditors shall be elected. It shall be the duty of the Honorary Auditors to examine and report upon the accounts submitted by the Honorary Treasurer to the Annual Conference next following their appointment.

20. Finance

- a. All Local Dental Committees entitled to be represented at the Conference shall contribute to the Conference Fund, at rates to be proposed from time to time by the Conference Treasurer and with the approval of Conference, with each Local Dental Committee's contribution being in proportion to the GDS contract value of the LDC electoral area on September 30 immediately preceding the Conference.
- b. The Conference Fund shall be used to defray the travelling and subsistence expenses incurred by Local Dental Committee representatives in attending the Conference, at such rates and subject to such conditions as shall be decided by the Conference.
- c. ~~If the appropriate contribution to the Conference fund remains outstanding by the end of the month immediately preceding that in which the Conference is to be held, the LDC may not be permitted to attend. If the appropriate contribution to the Conference Fund from an LDC remains outstanding by 30th November following the Conference, then at the Honorary Treasurer's discretion, the LDC delegate(s) expenses from that LDC may not be reimbursed.~~
- d. The travel and subsistence expenses of ~~representatives attending on behalf of Local Dental Committees in Scotland~~ ~~Scottish Representatives~~ shall be a matter for the Scottish Conference ~~of Local Dental Committees~~.
- e. The travel and subsistence expenses of representatives attending on behalf of Local Dental Committees in Northern Ireland shall be a matter for the committees in Northern Ireland.
- f. The Conference Fund shall be used to cover other expenditures properly incurred in connection with the Conference, as Conference may decide.
- g. All the expenses of a Special Conference convened on requisition shall be defrayed out of the Conference Fund.

21. Suspension of Standing Orders

- a. Any one or more of the Standing Orders or parts thereof may be suspended by the meeting provided that three-fourths of those present and voting shall so decide.

- b. Except where otherwise stated, the Standing Orders shall remain in force at the conclusion of an Annual Conference and will apply to any Special Conference of Local Dental Committees as may be convened.
- c. No motion to amend the Standing Orders from a Local Dental Committee shall be in order unless received in writing by the Secretary of the Conference Agenda Committee not less than six weeks before the date of the Annual Conference and circulated to all Local Dental Committees not less than four weeks before the Conference.

22. Quorum

No business shall be transacted by a Conference unless there be present at least one-third of the number of representatives appointed to attend such a meeting.

23. Definition

The expression 'Local Dental Committee(s)' in these Standing Orders shall, in relation to Scotland, mean General Practitioner Sub-Committee(s) of Area Dental Committee(s).

24. Conference Chair's discretion

Any question arising in relation to the Conduct of the Conference which is not dealt with in these standing orders shall be determined at the discretion of the Conference Chair.

25. Press

Representatives of the dental press shall be admitted to the Conference only on the understanding that they will not report any matters which the Conference decides should be regarded as private. The attendance of members of the Press is at the discretion of the Conference Chair.

26. Distribution of papers and announcements

In the Conference or in the precincts thereof, no papers or literature shall be distributed or announcements made or notices displayed except with the approval of the Conference Chair.

27. Conference Records

A recording shall be taken of the proceedings of the Conference and the Conference Chair shall be empowered to approve and confirm such a recording or any excerpt thereof.

General Dental Practice Committee

Progress and responses to LDC 2016 Conference motions

In 2015 there was an agreement that the GDPC would continually work on the issues raised by LDC Conference through the Conference motions, and ensure that motions were not taken as a snapshot of time but informed the ongoing work of GDPC on behalf of the profession. The Chair of the GDPC would continue to update LDCs on the work of the GDPC and give a final update on progress of the motions at the following annual conference of LDCs. Since the 2016 conference, the GDPC and other BDA committees (into whose remit some of the motions fall) have been working on the issues addressed. This document provides some draft responses from the GDPC where issues are agreed and actions undertaken or where an issue is as yet unresolved but being pursued.

Regulation

Birmingham LDC

Motion 1. This Conference calls for the immediate resignation of the Chair of the GDC.

The BDA called for the Chair's resignation a year ago and this remains GDPC policy. This motion was considered at the October 2016 meeting of the Education, Ethics and the Dental Team working group. In early November the BDA wrote to the GDC asking for the non-reappointment of Bill Moyes as Chair. The GDC Chair re-appointment process has concluded but the outcome of this process is unknown at this time (January 2017).

West Sussex LDC

Motion 2. This Conference demands that government scraps the compensation culture highlighted by the No Win, No Fee process and focuses recompense to actual patients via no-fault compensation.

This motion is partially supported by the BDA Education, Ethics and the Dental Team working group however further research was needed to see if such a system was feasible in dentistry.

West Pennine LDC

Motion 3. This Conference calls for the PSA to be given powers to enforce change in the organisations it regulates.

This was discussed at the Education, Ethics and the Dental Team Working Group meeting on 19 October 2016. The BDA does not support this motion because the PSA is part of a wide range of organisations involved in the regulatory framework but there were questions over its own accountability. The BDA therefore is not keen for the PSA to have more powers than it holds currently.

Merton, Sutton and Wandsworth LDC

Motion 4. This Conference moves that national regulators must calibrate their inspectors to the same standard in consultation and with the active engagement of the profession through both the GDPC and the LDCs.

This motion is fully supported and remains GDPC policy. The GDPC has always rejected attempts at duplicate inspections of practice by various bodies. The BDA sits on the regulation of dental services programme board stakeholder group and remains committed to ensuring that the BDA has input into the regulation process and can directly communicate where issues occurred in dental inspections.

Merton, Sutton and Wandsworth LDC

Motion 5. This Conference proposes that the GDC, CQC and NHS England hold an annual accountability hearing on their activities with the dental profession via the GDPC and LDCs.

The BDA supports the concept of accountability but a robust process for this would need to be established to make this meaningful. In reality, hearings would however be costly and difficult to organise so this approach would not be supported. The BDA has written to Janet Williamson (CQC Chair of the regulation of dental services programme board) to request timely reports on progress. Where there are issues of concern these can be raised directly with the programme board at the stakeholder group level and directly with Janet Williamson.

Devon LDC

Motion 6. This Conference calls on the GDC to explain why only seven cases have been referred to NHS England and demands that it starts to engage properly with both NHS England and the profession.

Although this motion is supported the GDC has now established a new process – GDC NHS Complaints handling. This is an internal GDC process and the [GDC website](#) has more information.

Contract Reform

Herts LDC

Motion 8. Dentists urgently need a fair and workable system in which to practise; one where they feel valued and are adequately remunerated for delivering good oral health to their patients.

This is fundamental GDPC policy and underpins everything that the BDA does. The GDPC and the GDPC Executive continue to work with NHS England and the Department of Health to drive forward this agenda. Where progress is not happening GDPC continue to press for change.

Hampshire and Isle of Wight LDC

Motion 9. This Conference demands that the Government provides increased funding for Dental Contract Reform roll-out including a Minimum Practice Income Guarantee to ensure greater access to NHS dentistry and stability for practices.

The need for an MPIG is current GDPC policy and we continue to emphasise the need to ensure sustainability and stability for practices in a reformed contract.

Hampshire and Isle of Wight LDC

Motion 10. This Conference believes that to sustain the independent NHS dental practice sector, especially within future Contract Reform, there must be assurances that contracts are held on a long-term basis to thereby facilitate financial, workforce and service viability.

The GDPC agrees with this motion and the sustainability of dental practice is a priority. The GDPC continues to press the Department of Health on this issue of long-term contracts. The Department of Health has offered reassurance that there are currently no plans to change anything. GDPC is keeping a close eye on developments under Devomanc and new multi-speciality community providers (MCPs). It is also heavily involved in the contract reform monitoring process to ensure that practice sustainability is not compromised.

West Pennine LDC

Motion 11. Conference calls for contract breach notices to expire after three years or when NHS England breaches a practice contract.

The GDPC fully supports this motion and has been addressing this issue robustly. Negotiations with NHS England on this issue are currently taking place.

Patient charges

Enfield & Haringey LDC

Motion 14. This conference calls for all responsibility for patient charge collection to be removed from NHS practitioners.

This is a long standing GDPC policy. The GDPC Exec continue to discuss this in meetings with the CDO and in the course of contract reform discussions with the DH.

Bedfordshire LDC

Motion 15. This conference believes that the value of a single UDA paid to a practice should be higher than the NHS Band 1 patient charge.

The GDPC fully supports this motion which is already GDPC policy, this absurd situation is constantly re-iterated in the course of discussions with the DH.

Use of resources

Devon LDC

Motion 18. This Conference demands the return of funds from unused UDAs back into the dental budget, allowing dentists to improve the oral health of more patients.

Similar to the previous motion, the reinvestment of funds back into dentistry is another priority area in which the GDPC continues to apply pressure. This remains a strong GDPC policy and Executive members drive forward this view at every opportunity during discussions with NHS England and the Department of Health.

NHS England sub-regions

Cornwall and IOS LDC

Motion 19. This Conference demands that NHS England funding and workforce in the sub regions is increased to a more realistic and manageable level similar to that pre 2013.

The GDPC agrees with this motion and this point has been made in meetings with NHS England.

MCNs, LDNs and the commissioning guides

Cornwall and IOS LDC

Motion 21. Conference demands that the DH and the GDPC address the major flaws within the recently published commissioning guides including lack of consultant and specialist availability together with under-funded services, and seek a solution immediately.

The GDPC has expressed its concerns about the commissioning guides very forcefully to NHS England and the Department of Health. Going forward it may be productive to focus on particular shortages (such as the shortage of paediatric consultants) and exert strong arguments in those particular areas.

Compass

Enfield & Haringey LDC

Motion 22. This Conference demands that when new software is developed for the NHS all contractors dependent on that software should be automatically indemnified against financial penalty or breach notice until an agreed period following either introduction of the software or agreement that the software is fit for purpose.

The GDPC fully supports this motion. The BDA and GDPC Exec has demanded a 'lessons learned' review on Compass and the BSA is doing this.

Commissioning

Lambeth Southwark and Lewisham LDC

Motion 23. Competition for NHS contracts must take place on a fair and level playing field. At present, there is no structure to prevent commissioning decisions being skewed by irrelevant evidence submitted by bidders, which is outside the scope of the service specification. Conference demands that the GDPC works with NHS England to develop the tendering process and eliminate perverse drivers in the award of NHS contracts for dental services.

GDPC agrees with this motion. Work will be undertaken to assess the current system of commissioning and ascertain what improvements could usefully be made. Progress on this would be reported back to LDC Conference.

Leicestershire LDC

Motion 24. This conference demands that LDCs are recognised formally as a key independent stakeholder in the local commissioning and development of Primary and Secondary Care dental services, and that they should always be fully consulted and engaged in the development of plans, policies and operational proposals relating to local primary and secondary dental and oral health care.

The GDPC supports this and seeks to highlight the role that LDCs play to NHS England: a senior member of the NHS England Team attends GDPC/LDC Regional Liaison Group meetings and there is scope to look at greater involvement through that forum.

Foundation Dentists

Devon LDC

Motion 25. This Conference calls upon NHS England to treat non UK Graduates in the same way as it does UK Graduates when applying for a performer list number.

The GDPC agrees that different routes to inclusion in the performers list may not be ideal. The GDPC fully supports the DFT year for new UK graduates as a positive and valuable learning experience which provides the best grounding for their future in the profession. However, in these austere times we are cautious that the opportunity for all EU and Non-EU graduates to undertake formal DFT prior to entry to the performers list would endanger the DFT system's viability for UK graduates.

Equitable access to training

West Sussex LDC

Motion 26. This Conference calls for the HEE and Deaneries to provide equitable, free access to mandatory and statutory training and e-resources for the dental profession.

This motion was considered by the BDA Education, Ethics and the Dental Team working group and this motion is not supported because the funding for such a call is not available.

Fluoridation

Northumberland LDC

Motion 27. This Conference believes that the lack of enthusiasm for the promotion of fluoride in the public water supply reflects badly on the Government's approach to public health and demands that proper funding is made available to implement this positive health measure without further delay.

The BDA supports water fluoridation schemes as part of a package of preventive measures to improve oral health, where technically feasible and appropriate to local needs. The Health and Science Committee agrees that the Government's approach to water fluoridation has weakened since the devolution of public health functions to Local Authorities.



LDC Conference 2017

Motions for debate

Northamptonshire LDC, Geraint Evans

1. Northamptonshire LDC is appalled by the service provided by the NHS for the old and the very young.

We call on conference to expose the failure of departments of health to commission domiciliary care for vulnerable old people.



1a. Northamptonshire LDC asks conference to insist that preventive care is prioritised from birth.

(Policy)

1b. Northamptonshire LDC calls for conference to lay the blame for the huge number of GA extractions in UK children at the door of NHS England.

Hertfordshire LDC, Peter Tatton

2. Hertfordshire LDC asks conference to urge the BDA and the GDPC to make it clear to the DoH and government that the profession has lost faith in the new dental contract as it is currently formulated.



Durham & Darlington LDC, Az Hyder

3. The current contract reform process has developed a good clinical pathway and philosophy but targets based on historic activity are not giving practices enough time to deliver the real preventive change to help move away from treatment treadmill dentistry. We urge the Contract Reform Programme to find a new measure of activity and give us the time to be able to deliver it.

(Policy)



Wakefield LDC, John Milne

3a. It is widely acknowledged that the UDA contract renders those with the most need to be the least able to access dental care. Conference urges the government to reinvigorate the contract reform process, enabling preventive care to be available to the public and practices providing NHS care to thrive.

(Policy)

Northumberland LDC, Duncan Thomas

4. Conference believes the evidence used by the DH prototype team to cite success takes no account of the financial consequences for those practices reaching their targets.



North Tyne LDC, Onkar Dhanoya

4a. This conference believes that the DH has a moral duty to support the pilot practices that are struggling with the unrealistic targets set for patient numbers and activity.

(Policy)

North Yorkshire LDC, Mark Green

5. This conference calls for the suspension of the current prototypes as soon as practical. The prototypes along with the pilots have proven that they cannot be implemented as a workable contract.



Clawback (England and Wales)

Bury & Rochdale LDC, Paul Mc Crory

6. This Conference calls on NHS England to adopt a transparent protocol which maximises the return of clawback to General Dental Services.

(Policy)



Wakefield LDC, John Milne

6a. Conference is dismayed that every year huge sums of money are removed from the dental budget by not reinvesting clawback monies into dentistry. Conference demands that NHS England should prioritise the use of any clawback funding to improve oral health.

Devon LDC, Timothy Hodges

6b. Every year millions of pounds from the NHS dental budget are clawed back and not recommissioned. This Conference deplores the lack of effort by Area Teams to recommission unused UDA funds back into Primary Care Dentistry and demands that this issue is addressed.

Birmingham LDC

7. This Conference calls on national governments to target the current spending on NHS dentistry to be limited to those that receive free care.



Northamptonshire LDC, Leah Farrell

7a. N'hants LDC abhors the lack of clarity in the dental contract and calls on the profession to define the "NHS offer".

Wakefield LDC, John Milne

7b. Conference invites the GDPC to carefully consider whether a limited menu of dental care could be made available to the whole population with more advanced care being limited to those currently exempt from NHS charges.

Regulation

Northamptonshire LDC, Geraint Evans

8. N'Hants LDC calls for the removal of the multiple layers of legislation and red tape imposed on dental practices to be removed and replaced with a single method of inspection.



Enfield & Haringey LDC, Roger Levy

8a. Conference condemns the multiple jeopardy suffered by practitioners who fall foul of one regulatory body.

(Policy)

GDC

Wakefield LDC, John Milne

9. Conference believes that the public are best served by having a professional regulator specifically dedicated to dentistry.



West Pennine LDC, Stuart Allan

10. This conference believes that, in order for the dental profession to view the GDC as an independent regulator, the GDC must raise serious concerns in the public interest about the disastrous inadequacies of the present NHS dental system.



Hertfordshire LDC, Peter Tatton

10a. This conference deplores the reappointment of Bill Moyes as chair of GDC and calls on the GDPC to petition the Privy Council to rescind this decision forthwith.

(Policy)



DDRB

Birmingham LDC, Eddie Crouch

11. This Conference believes that until the limits of the Treasury on Public Sector Pay are lifted, there should be non-engagement with the DDRB which is clearly not independent. Instead, the BDA should negotiate directly with NHS England/DH and ballot the workforce on the offer made from these negotiations.



North Yorkshire LDC, Mark Green

11a. This conference calls for an interim DDRB uplift of contract values to reflect the increase in overheads and a fundamental review of expenses prior to the next payment round.

Indemnity

Northern LDC, Northern Ireland

12. This Conference calls on the Indemnity providers to increase their Annual Subscriptions in line with inflation for those members who have had no action taken against them in the previous year.



CQC

West Sussex LDC, Toby Hancock

13. To be on a level playing field with general medical practitioners, this conference demands our NHS dentists have their Care Quality Commission fees reimbursed by NHS England.



North Yorkshire LDC, Mark Green

13a. This conference calls for the simplification of CQC registration processes to allow existing practices to transfer their CQC registration to an incumbent purchaser.

(Policy)

PCSE

Devon LDC, Malcolm Prideaux

14. Devon LDC asks this Conference to call for a vote of no confidence in the ability of CAPITA to process performer number applications in a timely, efficient and professional manner.



Procurement

Nottinghamshire LDC, Naresh Patel

15. Orthodontists should not be obligated to continue treatment to fulfil contractual obligations when it is not in the best interests of the patients and their oral health and well-being.



Kent LDC, Tim Hogan

15a. This Conference deplores the Dynamic Purchasing System, and the way it is being implemented, by which NHS England is attempting to procure NHS Dental contracts. This is especially the case with Orthodontics. There is a strong bias against the smaller contract holder in favour of the larger group practices and corporates. The elements of competition and easier patient access and choice are being removed by the process.

(Policy)

Representation and Governance issues

Northamptonshire LDC, Leah Farrell

16. N'hants LDC consider the GDPC as little more than a talking shop. We call on conference to radically update the GDPC's working processes to make them more effective.



Northamptonshire LDC, Leah Farrell

17. N'hants LDC is shocked by the completely unrepresentative number of women in dental leadership roles. We call on conference to institute affirmative action to elect more women to BDA PEC and GDPC.



Norfolk LDC, Nick Stolls

18. This conference agrees that all GDC registrants who are providers of NHS dental contracts should be entitled to stand for election to Local Dental Committees.



LDC Levies

Hertfordshire LDC, Peter Tatton

19. This conference demands that individual LDCs be able to set their own levy independent from other LDCs that they have been grouped with.



Norfolk LDC, Nick Stolls

19a. Conference demands that LDCs should be able to set their own levy.

Birmingham LDC

20. This Conference calls upon LDCs to fund legal challenges taken by the BDA on a 50/50 payment basis.



Dental Education

Devon LDC, Malcolm Prideaux

21. This Conference calls on the UK Committee of Postgraduate Dental Deans and Directors (COPDEND) to ensure that equivalence provides a robust training programme to ensure that completion provides similar experience and learning as Satisfactory Completion of Foundation Training (SCFT).



Birmingham LDC

22. Conference demands that undergraduate training be reassessed with less emphasis on soft skills. Before graduating, all students must demonstrate a nationally agreed minimum quantity of individual procedures.



Fluoridation

East Riding of Yorkshire LDC, Simon Hearnshaw

23. In view of high General Anaesthetic extractions, poor child dental health and widespread dental health inequality, does Conference support the inclusion of "Support for Local Authorities in the consideration of Fluoridation in the thirteen Starting Well areas" as a medium-term strategy of the NHSE Starting Well Programme?



Electronic Referral System

London Federation, Mike Clarke

24. This Conference calls on the NHS to introduce an electronic referral service to support the implementation of Pan-Regional services. This service should be hosted on a secure portal as many dentists still lack access to an NHS Mail account.



Removal of VAT charge on defibrillators

London Federation, Ian Duthie

25. This Conference calls for the removal of VAT for defibrillators.





66th ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF LOCAL DENTAL COMMITTEES THURSDAY 8 - FRIDAY 9 JUNE 2017

ONLY members of Conference who are representing their Local Dental Committee will be entitled to vote in the following elections:

**ELECTION OF AN HONORARY TREASURER
ELECTION OF TWO HONORARY AUDITORS
ELECTION OF MEMBER TO CONFERENCE AGENDA COMMITTEE
ELECTION OF MEMBER TO BRITISH DENTAL GUILD BOARD OF MANAGERS**

However, both members of Conference who are representing their Local Dental Committees AND GDPC representatives WILL be entitled to vote in the ELECTION OF CHAIR-ELECT (*to chair the Conference in 2019*)

Votes will be cast electronically. Each attending representative will be allocated an iPad and provided with a unique login code on arrival which will allow them to vote during the Conference. iPads will be configured so that only voters eligible to vote in each election will be able to do so.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR-ELECT (TO CHAIR THE CONFERENCE IN 2019)

To attend LDC Conference Agenda Committee meetings, and the Conference itself, for three years as Chair-Elect, Chair and Immediate Past Chair. The Chair Elect will also be required to attend other meetings, including the LDC Officials' Day and the Scottish LDC Conference. All travel, expenses and loss of earnings can be claimed from the LDC Conference Fund when attending meetings sanctioned by the LDC Conference Committee. The Chair and Chair-elect are also ex-officio members of the British Dental Guild.

Nominations will be taken from the floor.

2. ELECTION OF AN HONORARY TREASURER

Present Treasurer: Will Newport – elected in 2015

As stated in Conference Standing Orders: it shall be the duty of the Honorary Treasurer to receive monies forming the Conference Fund and to hold and disburse such monies in accordance with the instructions of the Annual Conference. He/she shall prepare and submit such accounts as the Conference shall require.

The Treasurer attends and reports to LDC Conference Agenda Committee meetings and the Conference itself. Travel, expenses and loss of earnings are payable by the LDC Conference Fund.

Nominations will be taken from the floor.

3. ELECTION OF TWO HONORARY AUDITORS

Required to liaise with the LDC Conference Honorary Treasurer concerning the annual accounts. Travel, expenses and loss of earnings payable by the LDC Conference Fund as sanctioned by the LDC Conference Committee.

Present Auditors elected in 2016: Jonathan Randall and Stephen Shimberg

Nominations will be taken from the floor.

4. ELECTION OF MEMBER TO CONFERENCE AGENDA COMMITTEE

Current Members:

Elected 2014–17 – Shareena Ilyas, South London Local Dental Committee

Elected 2015–18 – Tony Jacobs, Bury and Rochdale Local Dental Committee

Elected 2016–19 – Alison Lockyer, Oxfordshire Local Dental Committee

Nominations are sought for the following:

One member to serve from 2017 to 2020

Further details about the posts:

Information concerning the duties of elected members to the LDC Conference Agenda Committee

At each Annual Conference one person shall be elected to the Conference Agenda Committee to hold office from the end of the Conference at which he is elected for a period of three years. Nominations shall be made from the floor.

The Agenda Committee consists of the Chair, Chair-Elect and Immediate Past Chair of the Annual Conference, the Honorary Treasurer, the Chair of the GDPC, and three Local Dental Committee representatives - members of Conference who are not members of the GDPC at the time of election.

Duties of the Agenda Committee, as set down in standing orders:

- to settle the order of the agenda for the Annual or any Special Conference
- to make recommendations to the Conference as to the conduct of the business and Conference arrangements generally
- to ensure that Conference resolutions are considered expeditiously by the GDPC or other appropriate bodies
- to report to the next Annual Conference

Nominations will be taken from the floor.

5. ELECTION OF MEMBER TO BRITISH DENTAL GUILD BOARD OF MANAGERS

Elected in 2013 – 17 Howard Jones

Elected in 2014 – 18 Clive Harris

Elected in 2015 – 19 Shiv Pabary

Elected in 2016 – 20 Mark Haigh

Representatives of the British Dental Guild attend two meetings a year at the BDA London Office. Travel, expenses and loss of earnings can be claimed when attending these meetings, as sanctioned by the LDC Conference Committee.

Nominations will be taken from the floor.



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**ELECTION OF TWO CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES
TO THE GENERAL DENTAL PRACTICE COMMITTEE**

Elected Representatives:

Roger Levy	3 years, ending 2017
David Cottam	3 years, ending 2018

1 VACANCY (3 years ending 2020)

1 VACANCY (2 years ending 2019, to complete Jerry Asquith's term of office)

The GDPC representatives elected at Conference are expected to attend the three GDPC meetings which take place throughout the year at BDA HQ. There are three Conference representatives, one is elected each year to the GDPC on a three year rolling basis. Travel and expenses to cover attendance at meetings is claimed from the BDA. Loss of income can be claimed from the Treasurer of the Annual Conference.

Nominations to General Dental Practice Committee

NAME: Russell Gidney
REGION: Gwent LDC

NAME: Shareena Ilyas
REGION: Ealing, Hammersmith and Hounslow LDC

Nominee's supporting statement:

I have lobbied on behalf of the profession and understand the importance of issues being voiced for associates and practice owners as the difficulties we face as a profession are challenging. I feel that my experience, passion, and knowledge are well placed to influence changes at such a demanding time

NAME: Roger Stephen Levy
REGION: Enfield & Haringey LDC

Nominee's supporting statement:

I am a concerned, involved and vocal practitioner, passionate about our profession. We are underfunded, over-regulated and stressed. Our NHS contract is a failure. We need forcefully to pursue promises of change.

I am an active GDPC member, and would relish the privilege of renewing that role.

NAME: Jimmey Palahey
REGION: Nottinghamshire LDC

Nominee's supporting statement:

I am currently the principal dentist in a mixed practice in Keyworth, Nottinghamshire. I have been sitting on the Nottingham LDC for 7 years and have been Chair for the last 4 years. This position has given me the opportunity to liaise with a number of individuals and organisations both locally and nationally for the benefit of our constituents and represent their best interests. I am keen to get more involved nationally in the wider dental debate and utilise the skill-set which I have gathered over the previous years to advance the profession.

Treasurer's Report

2017 Annual Conference of LDCs

Annual Accounts

I am very grateful to the work of the Conference auditors, with whom I have conferred about all the information presented here. Their time and advice is much appreciated.

The surplus that has accumulated over the years is due largely to the sponsorship Conference has received. I would like to thank all sponsors, past and present, for supporting the LDC Conference.

Changes reflected in the accounts

The accounts presented to Conference are slightly different to those compiled for previous years. I have now moved the accounting system to dedicated accounting software. In addition to some significant efficiency benefits, this means that handing over the accounts to any incoming Treasurer of the future is now very simple to effect and can ensure a continuity in the accounting and reporting process.

You will notice the considerable difference between the opening and closing balances. This is due to the consolidation of the two separate Conference savings accounts into our current account. You may also notice that the report comparing the expenditure for previous conferences is not included with the papers this year. As a result of the new accounting software and consequential change in the coding of expense elements, the reporting is slightly different. I have established a reporting mechanism for future comparisons, but this will take another year's accounts before it is available.

Much of the sponsorship income and all dinner ticket income was held on account and deducted from the event management charge (and other expenses incurred by the event manager) before it was processed by the Conference. This is the reason the income lines for sponsorship do not reflect the true sponsorship received, and why the income from dinner tickets is not featured. I am taking steps to ensure that all Conference income and expenditure flows directly through the Conference account in future years, to ensure that future accounts can accurately report the transactions made on behalf of the Conference.

VAT advice

I have raised a question about the potential for VAT liability, with the LDC Conference Agenda Committee. As such, I have recommended that we seek professional advice to confirm our position, as well as whether any action is required to mitigate any potential VAT liability facing the Committee/Conference. I will report further on the outcome of this work at next year's Conference, or directly to LDCs if it is necessary to do so sooner.

Conference Subscriptions

I deliberately contacted lead LDCs with requests for payment only at the beginning of April this year, as I felt it would be helpful to Treasurers to account for the Conference payment in the same financial year as Conference falls. Given the efficiency afforded by the new system of Conference subscription collection, it is possible to raise the money needed for Conference in time, provided those lead LDCs are able to arrange prompt payment to the Conference. I am pleased to report to the Conference that only 7 of the 27 NHS area team LDC regions in England have yet to pay at this point. 3 of the 5 LDCs in Wales remain outstanding. I am confident that all payments will be settled in time for the Conference.

You will note the surplus in the accounts. It is necessary for the LDC Conference to carry a surplus for two reasons:

- To allow LDCs to hold a Special Conference (and one was called in December 2014)
- To enable the LDC Conference Agenda Committee to book venues etc. with the confidence that the funds are available to meet those commitments.

However, the surplus can now be reduced to a running surplus of approximately £50,000. This figure enables the pre-booking of a Conference venue and other significant expenses. It is also held in case of the calling of a "Special Conference", provision for which is made in the Standing Orders.

Conference Representatives

As reported last year, the collection of Conference subscriptions is now based on the total GDS spend for each NHS area team LDC region. The allocation of representatives is still based on old (out of date) performer list figures. For fairness, it is important that the number of representatives to which an LDC is entitled at the Conference be calculated on the same basis. I have, therefore, set out a summary of the proposed changes separately, for your information.

With best wishes for a great LDC Conference 2017,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Will Newport". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Will Newport

Treasurer, LDC Conference

Income and Expenditure for year ending 31 October 2016

Income

LDC Conference subscriptions	£125,260.03
Savings accounts (transferred in)	£83,220.22
Late subscription payments	£3,391.00
Sponsorship	£8,340.00
Total Income	£220,211.25

Less Expenses

Audio-visual	£21,332.18
Auditor claims	£275.00
Bank Fees	£87.90
Cleaning and maintenance of Conference Chain	£786.20
Conference Dinner	£8,400.00
Conference Insurance	£144.63
Conference photography	£795.00
IT Software and Consumables	£2,289.00
LDC Conference hotel expenses	£27,462.00
LDC Conference reps to GDPC claims	£2,870.20
LDC rep travel and subsistence claims	£22,200.15
LDCAC claims	£26,864.16
Venue cost	£23,101.44
Total Operating Expenses	£136,607.86

Summary

Opening Balance	£7,223.95
Plus Net Cash Movement	£83,603.39
Closing Balance	£90,827.34

Audited and found correct on 26 April 2017

Dr Jonathan Randall (Conference auditor)



Dr Stephen Shimberg (Conference auditor)



Indicative allocation of LDC Conference representatives and observers (under proposed system)

LDC name	GDS contract total (April 2016 - January 2017)	Proportion of GDS contract total for England (April 2016 - January 2017)	Representative entitlement	Observer entitlement
Avon	£44,943,850.89	2.02%	3	0
Barking and Havering	£19,929,854.68	0.90%	1	1
Barnet	£10,789,799.73	0.48%	1	1
Barnsley	£14,034,730.00	0.63%	1	1
Bedfordshire	£24,302,435.47	1.09%	2	0
Berkshire	£28,030,039.07	1.26%	2	0
Bexley and Greenwich	£20,507,935.62	0.92%	1	1
Birmingham	£44,437,573.50	2.00%	3	0
Bolton	£12,611,988.97	0.57%	1	1
Bradford	£20,221,578.53	0.91%	1	1
Brent and Harrow	£22,190,453.68	1.00%	1	1
Bromley	£10,646,677.01	0.48%	1	1
Buckinghamshire	£13,455,520.35	0.60%	1	1
Bury and Rochdale	£18,980,923.33	0.85%	1	1
Calderdale and Kirklees	£30,146,286.60	1.35%	2	0
Cambridgeshire	£28,736,879.53	1.29%	2	0
Camden and Islington	£18,425,482.38	0.83%	1	1
Central Lancashire	£20,863,958.83	0.94%	1	1
Cheshire	£33,531,038.23	1.51%	2	0
Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	£21,101,369.74	0.95%	1	1
Coventry	£13,015,114.70	0.58%	1	1
Croydon	£15,514,352.18	0.70%	1	1
Cumbria	£18,393,881.97	0.83%	1	1
Derby City	£12,242,185.01	0.55%	1	1
Derbyshire County	£34,190,081.99	1.54%	2	0
Devon	£48,711,276.93	2.19%	3	0
Doncaster and Bassetlaw	£23,940,276.41	1.08%	2	0
Dorset	£30,427,693.49	1.37%	2	0
Dudley	£14,302,527.25	0.64%	1	1
Durham and Darlington	£26,328,497.81	1.18%	2	0
Ealing, Hammersmith and Hounslow	£38,030,158.21	1.71%	3	0
East Lancashire	£27,273,217.07	1.23%	2	0

East London and City	£34,010,272.66	1.53%	2	0
East Sussex	£33,986,233.07	1.53%	2	0
Enfield and Haringey	£27,265,364.85	1.23%	2	0
Essex	£74,417,496.17	3.34%	5	0
Gateshead and South Tyneside	£19,668,084.85	0.88%	1	1
Gloucestershire	£16,973,263.35	0.76%	1	1
Hampshire and Isle of Wight	£78,793,924.82	3.54%	5	0
Hereford	£6,461,200.19	0.29%	1	1
Hertfordshire	£46,484,565.87	2.09%	3	0
Hillingdon	£8,270,505.35	0.37%	1	1
Hull and East Riding of Yorkshire	£34,326,543.19	1.54%	2	0
Hull and East Riding of Yorkshire / North Yorkshire (split between the two)	£3,902,670.47	0.18%	1	1
Kensington, Chelsea and Westminster	£17,573,461.73	0.79%	1	1
Kent	£61,411,605.72	2.76%	4	0
Kingston and Richmond	£10,869,947.25	0.49%	1	1
Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham	£45,514,777.61	2.04%	3	0
Lancashire Coastal	£21,637,360.55	0.97%	1	1
Leeds	£34,777,193.40	1.56%	2	0
Leicestershire	£38,295,084.72	1.72%	3	0
Lincolnshire	£24,098,719.45	1.08%	2	0
Liverpool	£21,739,943.67	0.98%	1	1
Manchester	£27,776,335.87	1.25%	2	0
Merton, Sutton and Wandsworth	£27,355,125.57	1.23%	2	0
Mid-Mersey	£32,695,045.11	1.47%	2	0
Milton Keynes	£7,377,770.01	0.33%	1	1
Norfolk	£37,433,990.38	1.68%	3	0
North Staffordshire	£17,944,973.92	0.81%	1	1
North Tyne	£23,761,229.94	1.07%	2	0
North Yorkshire	£25,106,701.65	1.13%	2	0
Northamptonshire	£27,038,758.82	1.21%	2	0
Nottinghamshire	£36,737,865.95	1.65%	2	0
Oxford	£23,911,191.88	1.07%	2	0
Redbridge and Waltham Forest	£23,136,870.04	1.04%	2	0
Rotherham	£13,582,625.37	0.61%	1	1
Salford	£13,391,571.80	0.60%	1	1
Sandwell	£16,003,594.27	0.72%	1	1
Sefton	£15,666,996.66	0.70%	1	1

Sheffield	£28,918,472.56	1.30%	2	0
Shropshire	£21,508,003.39	0.97%	1	1
Solihull	£6,354,991.53	0.29%	1	1
Somerset	£23,632,765.64	1.06%	2	0
South Humber	£15,071,673.38	0.68%	1	1
South Staffordshire	£24,822,167.59	1.12%	2	0
Stockport	£15,877,729.20	0.71%	1	1
Suffolk	£29,325,552.89	1.32%	2	0
Surrey	£35,331,784.19	1.59%	2	0
Tees	£28,554,186.40	1.28%	2	0
Trafford	£10,975,650.89	0.49%	1	1
Wakefield	£16,795,295.50	0.75%	1	1
Walsall	£10,133,907.06	0.46%	1	1
Warwick	£23,610,533.15	1.06%	2	0
West Pennine	£26,160,073.76	1.18%	2	0
West Sussex	£33,014,584.48	1.48%	2	0
Wigan	£18,229,385.57	0.82%	1	1
Wiltshire	£23,100,782.18	1.04%	2	0
Wirral	£17,354,108.61	0.78%	1	1
Wolverhampton	£9,882,820.65	0.44%	1	1
Worcester	£17,373,769.37	0.78%	1	1
Grand Total	£2,225,684,743.33	100.00%	152	44

Total delegate numbers

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LDC Representatives allocation/entitlements breakdown - Conference 2017

As in previous years, figures have been calculated to include the number of principal dentists with a schedule or registration and the numbers of FDs and assistants per area. If an LDC submitted no figures, last year's figures were used.

Where an LDC has only one representative, the LDC is allowed to send one observer, in addition to their representative. Each LDC can send 1 representative per 150 practitioners or part thereof on what was the PCOs Primary Care Dental List or it's current replacement

Local Dental Committee	Representatives permitted	Observers permitted	Number of dentists
Avon	4		484
Barking & Havering	2		151
Barnet	2		168
Barnsley	1	1	88
Bedfordshire	2		202
Berkshire	3		449
Bexley & Greenwich	2		165
Birmingham	3		369
Bolton	1	1	80
Bradford	2		190
Brent & Harrow	2		299
Bro Taf	3		340
Bromley	1	1	80
Buckinghamshire	2		212
Bury & Rochdale	2		155
Calderdale & Huddersfield	2		184
Cambridge	3		362
Camden & Islington	2		180
Cornwall & Isles of Scilly	2		247
Coventry	1	1	121
Croydon	2		159
Cumbria	2		180
Derby City	1	1	120
Derby County	3		319
Devon	4		515
Doncaster	1	1	98
Dorset	2		279
Dudley	1	1	105
Durham County	2		199
Dyfed & Powys	2		156
Ealing, Hammersmith & Hounslow	3		320
East Lancashire	2		199
East London & City	2		194
East Riding	1	1	126
East Sussex	3		373
Enfield & Haringey	2		294
Essex	5		740
Gateshead & South Tyneside	1	1	144
Gloucestershire	2		233
Gwent	2		225
Hampshire & Isle of Wight	6		738
Herefordshire	1	1	70
Hertfordshire	4		600
Hillingdon	1	1	80
Kensington, Chelsea & Westminster	1	1	150
Kent	5		732
Kingston & Richmond	2		154

Lambeth, Southwark & Lewisham	3		320
Lancashire, central	2		197
Lancashire, coastal	1	1	110
Leeds	3		305
Leicestershire	3		360
Lincolnshire	2		193
Liverpool	2		177
Manchester	2		182
Merton, Sutton & Wandsworth	2		287
Mid Mersey	2		274
Milton Keynes	1	1	75
Morgannwg	2		184
Norfolk	3		310
North Staffordshire	1	1	120
North Tyne	2		237
North Wales	2		220
North Yorkshire	3		331
Northamptonshire	2		230
Northumberland	1	1	132
Nottinghamshire	3		415
Oxfordshire	2		241
Redbridge & Waltham Forest	2		190
Rotherham	1	1	92
Salford	1	1	94
Sandwell	1	1	120
Sefton	1	1	102
Sheffield	2		199
Shropshire	2		163
Solihull	1	1	78
Somerset	2		216
South Cheshire	3		369
South Humber	1	1	99
South Staffordshire	2		176
Stockport	1	1	127
Suffolk	2		219
Sunderland	1	1	99
Surrey	4		580
Tees	2		206
Trafford	1	1	112
Wakefield	1	1	110
Walsall	1	1	61
Warwickshire	2		241
West Pennine	2		186
West Sussex	3		365
Wigan	1	1	146
Wiltshire	2		257
Wirral	1	1	97
Wolverhampton	1	1	80
Worcestershire	2		193

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THURSDAY 8 AND FRIDAY 9 JUNE 2017

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Venue and directions

Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel
The NEC Birmingham
Pendigo Way
Birmingham
B40 1PP
Tel: 0121 780 4242



Full venue directions can be found here: <http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/united-kingdom/hilton-birmingham-metropole-BHXMETW/maps-directions/index.html>

From Birmingham International railway station

The Hotel is a 10-15 minute walk through the NEC and then across the complex. Please follow signs through the NEC directing towards Resorts World and then once outside following directions for the Hilton Hotel.

Alternatively, the Hilton Birmingham Metropole hotel courtesy bus runs every 30 minutes between 7am and 11pm and collects at the taxi rank at the station. Seats are available on a first come first served basis. The journey to the hotel takes approximately 5 minutes.

From Birmingham International airport

Birmingham International railway station is directly linked to the airport passenger terminal by SkyRail. The SkyRail is free, operates about every 2 minutes when the rail station is open and the journey takes less than 2 minutes.

Once at the rail station, the Hotel is just a 10-15 minute walk through the NEC and then across the complex. Please follow signs through the NEC directing towards Resorts World and then once outside following directions for the Hilton Hotel.

Alternatively the Hilton Birmingham Metropole hotel courtesy bus runs every 30 minutes between 7am and 11pm and collects at the taxi rank at the station. Seats are available on a first come first served basis. The journey to the hotel takes approximately 5 minutes.

Between 23:00 and 07:00 the shuttle bus can go to the airport (bus stop C) upon request. Guests will need to contact the hotel direct to arrange this - 0121 780 4242.

Car parking in Birmingham

There is car parking onsite at the Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel. Please visit the Hotel's website for current parking tariffs.

LDC representatives and GDPC members who have their expenses covered can take advantage of a discounted 24 hour parking rate, which is automatically billed back to the event account. Please contact fiona.feltham@bda.org for details of how to pre-register your vehicle for the special rate.

GDPC Member – EXPENSES CLAIM

66th CONFERENCE OF LOCAL DENTAL COMMITTEES THURSDAY 8 AND FRIDAY 9 JUNE 2017

Name (please print) _____

Address in full
(including county
and postcode) _____

Tel No _____

Air Fare £ _____

Standard Class Return Rail Fare £ _____

Any sleeper charges £ _____

Car mileage (45p per mile) £ _____

Hotel costs necessarily incurred
(if not booked through MICE Concierge)
£165.00 inc vat - one night only £ _____

Claim if staying with friends/relatives £ _____
£25 one night

Total expenses claimed £ _____

I claim payment of the above expenses necessarily incurred in attending the 66th Annual Conference of Local Dental Committees. I am not claiming reimbursement from any other source.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please complete the box below if you wish to have your expenses paid directly into your bank account

Sort code	
Account number	
Account name	

If possible please hand this form (with receipts) to the Conference registration desk whilst at the event.

If you fail to do so please forward (within 28 days) to Alex Cenic at the British Dental Association, 64 Wimpole Street, London, W1G 8YS; Tel: 020 7563 4158
(alexandra.cenic@bda.org)