



Brief biographies of 2023 Agenda Committee

Mark Green – Chair

Just because Mark was born in South Yorkshire (Sheffield), educated in West Yorkshire (LDI 1995) and lives and works in North Yorkshire (Ryedale) doesn't mean he is eligible to play cricket for Yorkshire! A keen sportsman where his enthusiasm is often greater than his ability

His dental career has centred around NHS dentistry - firstly as an associate then an owner now again as an associate.

He has been a trainer and a PLVE mentor.

He became a member of North Yorkshire LDC back in 2001 and has been secretary since 2010. He is also secretary for the Yorkshire and Humber council of LDCs

He was elected to GDPC in 2018 and then when a vacancy on the GDPC executive committee arose he was subsequently elected in August 2020.

Agi Tarnowski – Chair elect

Agi grew up in South London and trained in Cardiff. Following adventures down under Agi returned to the South of England and has been working in the region since.

Agi is unashamedly a patient focused practitioner and an advocate for the generalist dentist.

Agi works in mixed general dental practice and the CDS.

Non-clinically she is Chair of the West Sussex LDC, Kent Surrey and Sussex Routine Dentistry MCN she sits on the GDPC Exec and is involved in teaching and peer review.

Dan Cook - Past Chair

Dan grew up in North East England and South Wales. He graduated from Newcastle in 2003 and, following DFT in North Yorkshire and associateships on Tyneside, he bought his practice in Newport, South Wales, where he provides mainly NHS family dentistry alongside DFT and undergraduate supervision.

He is Vice-Chair of Gwent LDC and a member of the Welsh GDPC. Outside of dentistry he enjoys music and is a keen amateur brewer.

Shawn Charlwood - Chair of the General Dental Practice Committee

Shawn Charlwood graduated from Birmingham Dental School in 1986 and has postgraduate dental qualifications from the University of Bristol and the Faculty of General Dental Practitioners.

He owned a large mixed practice for twenty-five years and was a foundation trainer for over twenty years. He had previously held postgraduate positions at Manchester Dental School and Manchester Royal Infirmary Maxillo-facial, as well as being an officer in the Royal Army Dental Corps TA for five years.

He has been on the GDPC for 13 years and is now Chair, having previously served as Vice-Chair, Chair of the GDPC Remuneration Sub-Committee and Chair of the GDPC Private Practice Committee. He also currently sits on the GDPC-LDC Regional Liaison Group, GDPC Associates Group, the BDA's Review Body Evidence Committee and the British Dental Guild. He was previously the Chair of Lincolnshire LDC, which he has been a member of for 25 years.

Zoe Connelly – representative from Conference

Zoe graduated from the University of Leeds in 2007 and entered General Practice. She has worked as an NHS Associate Dentist at St Michaels Dental Practice, Wakefield since 2008. Zoe is passionate about the need for Contract Reform following involvement through her Practice in the Contract Reform Prototypes. She is Treasurer of Wakefield LDC and has been involved in trying to increase the representation of new dental graduates in their LDCs.

Russell Gidney - representative from Conference

Russell qualified in 2002 from Cardiff University and has worked primarily in general practice in South East Wales since. He has worked as a clinical supervisor in Cardiff Dental School and foundation trainer since 2015.

Russell joined Gwent LDC in 2014 and has been Treasurer since 2015 and regular conference-goer since. He is currently Chair of the Welsh General Dental Practice Committee.

Peter Hodgkinson – Treasurer

Pete graduated from Guys Hospital in 1974. After short associateships in Somerset and Cheshire, owned a five-surgery practice in Helston, West Cornwall.

Represented Cornwall on GDPC for 30 years. Vice-Chair 2008-2015.
LDC Conference Chair 2004.

Senior Dental Adviser to Care Quality Commission 2011-2014.

Cornwall & Isles of Scilly LDC member for 30 years.

Board member of Dental Protection Limited.

Founder member and past Chair of Cornwall IDP 2008-2018. Retired 2019.

Judith Husband - representative from Conference

After qualifying from Liverpool Dental School in 1997 and undertaking two additional years postgraduate training Judith moved to Oxfordshire, later settling in Northamptonshire. A keen advocate for the dental profession and patients, she is a past Deputy Chair of the British Dental Association, past PEC member and current member of Northamptonshire Local Dental Committee. With over twenty years' experience working in general dental practice, under NHS contract and privately provided care, Judith now works as an associate dentist. Her non-clinical time is shared across a number of roles related to healthcare and dentistry. As Managing Director of a consultancy company she provides a variety of project leadership and industry insights to businesses and organisations within the UK and internationally. Twitter [@Judith_Husband](#)

Judith is a member of the General Dental Practice Committee and was elected to serve on the GDPC executive committee.