

Member Networks Annual Report Form  
Reporting events held in 2018 and those planned for 2019

In line with the rules for member networks and to enable us to better support our networks and their activities all member networks (Local Sections, Interest Groups and Analytical Division Regions) are asked to complete this form and return it to [networks@rsc.org](mailto:networks@rsc.org) or by post to: Networks Team, Royal Society of Chemistry, Thomas Graham House, Science Park, Milton Road, Cambridge, CB4 0WF.

Deadlines

Deadline for receipt of Financial Accounts by RSC Finance Team: 8th February 2019  
Deadline for receipt of Annual Report by Networks Team: 25th February 2019

If there is any reason that your committee will not be able to meet either or both of these deadlines please inform [networks@rsc.org](mailto:networks@rsc.org) as soon as possible.

This report will be uploaded to your web page to share with the members of your network. Staff will also share a digest of all member networks activities taken solely from these annual reports with appropriate staff and governance boards and committees including Division Councils with similar interests.

Committee	Secondary and Further Education Group

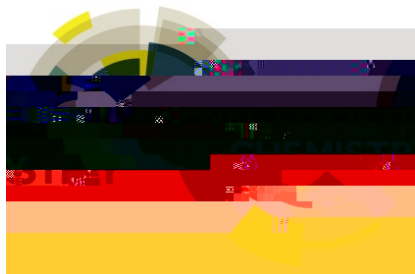
Please list below the dates of all of your planned committee meetings and, if held, AGM.

Annual General Meeting (if being held)

Date	Click or tap to enter a date.
Venue	Click or tap here to enter text.

Proposed Committee Meetings Dates

Date	Venue	
30 Jan 2019	BH	
29 May 2019	BH	
2 July 2019	Bolton school	
23 Oct 2019	BH	



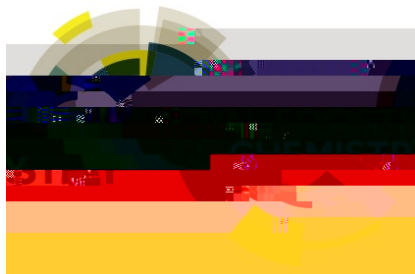
## 2018 Events

Please report below on activities undertaken in the past year. Please select the type of event and target audience from the drop-down menus. For example, a workshop for Early Career members can be categorised as “Training/ Workshop” for “Early Career

Members”.

The categories are as follows:

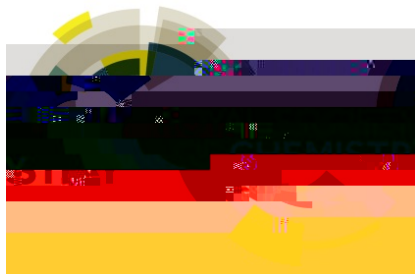
Event Types :



RSC Secondary and Further Education Group (SaFE) 4th National Chemistry Teachers and Educators Conference, "Transitions Post 16 and Moving On"

This was hosted at Birmingham University on Tuesday 3rd July 2018. Approximately 75 delegates including speakers and the committee attended this one day SaFE educators conference, and it was good to see several representatives from the RSC attend the day.

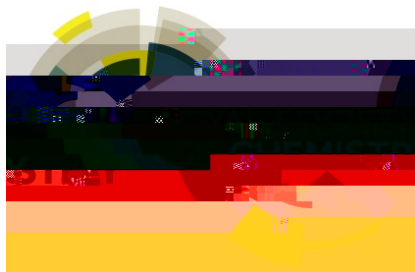
Comments



team are inspiring the secondary sector to consider the research side of teaching which really gave teachers something to think about. Niki also offered a workshop later in the day.

§Damian Riddle was the final speaker of the morning and presented about the reflections and outcomes from the new “A” level chemistry. The “A” level has had major changes going from the modular curriculum to a linear programme, and the practical work has a major emphasis through portfolio work. It is hoped that “A” level students will be more skilled with their practical work, they will be examined on practical work in written papers as well. This presentation was built on with a workshop session later in the day.

Lunch and networking was a valuable time, apart from palet5u urt223 pmiva



to the teacher. A few methods of research were trialled and shared to delegates thinking.

Damian Riddle was discussing “reflections and outcomes from the new “A” level chemistry– specifications and assessment” where delegates considered the spread of results on the new course which generated interesting discussions with positive comments on the practical endorsement and discussions on the content and difficulty of exam questions. Possibly there will be disappearance of AS levels in the future.

Nicola Rogers(University of Warwick) and Zoe Schnepf (Birmingham University) shared Birmingham chemistry departments “Chem Bam – new online learning resources for students and teachers, engages students with current research themes in chemistry. Many teachers took the opportunity to find new electronic resources for their classes during this session.

Dr Peter Hoare was our plenary lecturer with his popular lecture colourful chemistry filled with many fun but spectacular demonstrations that teachers would be able to deliver in their own schools, see photos on our website. A nice way to round up a busy day.

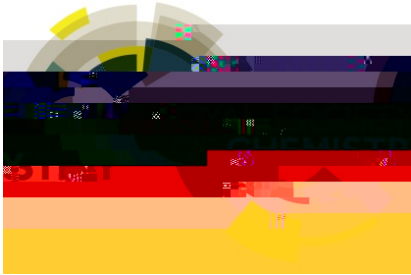
#### Closing remarks

I announced that the next conference would be on Tuesday 2nd July 2019 at Bolton School in Manchester, watch this space for the 2019 news!

Some 2018 Conference feedback from delegates advertising through social media helped improve awareness of the event with RSC members but we still need to do more to reach out to others. Booking and registration were easier to use, as systems bed down and become familiar to people. We also took the opportunity to improve the links to the venue website, particularly with regard to directions. The venue was easy to get to, and the facilities good. Following feedback from last year, we extended networking time, and this was well received. There was also increased satisfaction with the afternoon breakout sessions.

The format we have adopted is well liked, and we look forward to a similar format in Bolton next year.





### Awards and Bursaries

Please list any awards or bursaries presented by your committee in the past 12 months and indicate any that will be open for nomination/application in the next calendar year.

Please also include information about the application/nomination and selection processes.

Please ensure that all members of your network are notified of any awards or bursaries for general application. These notifications can be sent via e-alert through [networks@rsc.org](mailto:networks@rsc.org).

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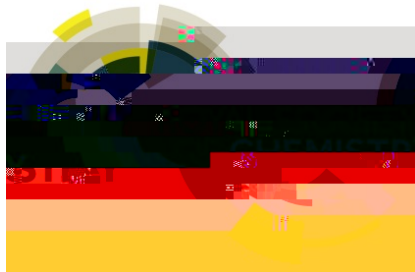
### Future Activities

When planning any activities please remember to ensure that all events are logged on our events database and ensure that all contracts are sent to our Legal Team with enough time for amendments and, where necessary, approval by the Board.

Please outline any activities already in planning for the next calendar year. Please include the type of event and the target audience.

For additional events please copy and paste the table and continue as necessary.

Event Name	5 <sup>th</sup> National conference Secondary and Further Education Group
Event Type	Education Event
Audience	School teachers
Proposed Date	2 July 2019 c8 81a (abl)6 (e )10ence movachool teachers



From Bolton School Headmaster Mr Philip Britton and KT  
From SaFE JH

10:15 - 10:30 Associate Prof Darren Walsh The University of Nottingham - IYPT “International Year of the Periodic Table”

10:30 - 10:45 Holly Carter “My journey from school to award winning apprentice at Astra Zeneca”

10:45 - 11:00 AQA Highlights Peter Rupkus, Curriculum Support Manager, Science

11:00 - 11:30 Break Networking opportunities Tea  
Coffee

11:30 - 12:45 Helen Sharman CMG OBE the first British Astronaut “Out of this World” including a Question and Answer session at the end.

12:45 - 14:00 - Buffet Lunch Tea Coffee Networking opportunities

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES - In the Kroto Chemical labs (4 Chem Labs holding 30 and 1 classroom of 20)

- 14:00 - 14:45 Breakout session 1 – 5 activities
- 15:00 - 15:45 Breakout session 2 – 5 activities

#### Activity 1 : Lab 1

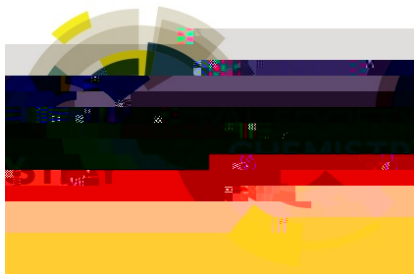
Associate Professor Darren Walsh University of Nottingham.  
ABSTRACT  
International Year of the Periodic Table

#### Activity 2 : Lab 2

Peter Rupkus, Curriculum Support Manager AQA, Science  
ABSTRACT  
AQA will provide updates on GCSE Science entries and the awarding process for the summer 2019 series. There will also be discussion of AQA GCSE Science mark schemes, with a more in-depth exploration into the application of mark schemes during the extended sess

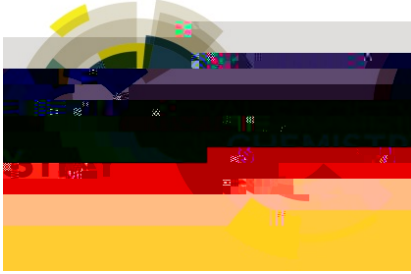






### Committee

This information will be used to update our membership database and your web page. Please ensure that any changes to the committee are sent to



## Diversity & Inclusion

Please ensure this section is completed

Our trustees are aiming to embed diversity and inclusion in all of our activities and networks. Section 8 of our [online network handbook](#) contains more information to support our networks in achieving this and our Diversity team have [online Guides for Networks](#) that include actions and considerations for committees, and guides for inclusive communications and running inclusive events.