

BACCN NI AGM 6/5/26

In attendance Rowan Grieves

Nuala Devlin

April Linton

Aideen McKinney

Karen Gerber BACCN

Jenny Gibb

Wendy Rea

Alex Sherly

Lorna kernaghan

Carol Anne Crowe

Cheryl Tuff

Apologies- Ruth Hainbridge, Liunda McCready

Introductions made, thanks to Karen for assisting

Aim for this meeting: Elect a new Northern Ireland committee. Previous meeting had loosely allocated some of these roles

Discussion re what the team want to achieve

Study days and national conference

Nomination for committee:

Roles required Chair/ co- chair/ joint roles- April Linton Nominated by Lorna Kernaghan and seconded by Aidin McKinney

Joint chair -Aidin McKinney nominated by Nuala Devlin and seconded by Jennifer Gibb

Secretary- Rowan Grieves nominated by April Linton and seconded by Aidin McKinney

Treasurer- Carol Anne Crowe nominated by Rowan Grieves and seconded by Cheryl Tuff

Other roles filled over time as the team becomes more established

Industrial liaison- Linda McCready nominated by Aidin McKinney and seconded by Rowan Grieves

Committee members- Wendy Rea (secretarial assistant) & Lorna Kernaghan

Social media role- At present Rowan Grieves will take this role on. Social media is all done through the national accounts – they have a social media WhatsApp group which Rowan will join. Filipa and Karen can add members to these WhatsApp groups

Further discussion points

Concern over the lack of engagement from other trusts- information re the AGM was sent to all the education teams and unit leads. Further contact to be made to encourage other joiners

Plan to spread study days across NI in order to encourage smaller units to attend

Plan one study day with the next following- Minimum of 3 months notice for study days.

Get a venue save a date

Give a broad topic overview and then provide further information closer to the time

Conference in 5months time aim for a study day post this

NI baccn board meeting at the conference

There is approx. £ 3733 in accounts – addended 31/05/26 £3733.03

Could we use some of this money to support peoples attendance. There is also options for funding from other areas including grants from BACCN

If we use this money- money how many people do we support or what do we fund?

Volunteers required for conference- Aidin, Rowan, Cheryl, April, Carol- Anne, Wendy. In charge of room timings and moving people between areas.

Plan for further committee meeting in a few weeks

Request for Bio's for the committee members to be uploaded to BACCN site and access request for regional page.

BACCN Northern Ireland AGM Minutes

Annual General Meeting – 06/05/2026

Attendees

- Rowan Grieves
- Nuala Devlin
- April Linton
- Aideen McKinney
- Karen Gerber (BACCN)
- Jenny Gibb
- Wendy Rea
- Alex Sherly
- Lorna Kernaghan
- Carol Anne Crowe
- Cheryl Tuff

Apologies: Ruth Hainbridge, Linda McCready

Introductions

Introductions were made and thanks were extended to Karen for her assistance.

Aim of Meeting

The primary aim was to elect a new Northern Ireland committee. Some roles had been informally allocated at the previous meeting.

Discussion Points

- Team aspirations included organising study days and participating in the national conference.

Committee Nominations & Elections

Role	Name	Nominated by	Seconded by
Chair / Co-Chair / Joint Roles	April Linton	Lorna Kernaghan	Aideen McKinney
Joint Chair	Aideen McKinney	Nuala Devlin	Jennifer Gibb
Secretary	Rowan Grieves	April Linton	Aideen McKinney
Treasurer	Carol Anne Crowe	Rowan Grieves	Cheryl Tuff
Industrial Liaison	Linda McCreedy	Aideen McKinney	Rowan Grieves
Committee Members	Wendy Rea (Secretarial Assistant), Lorna Kernaghan	-	-
Social Media	Rowan Grieves	-	-

Other roles will be filled as the team becomes more established.

Social media will be managed through national accounts; Rowan Grieves will join the WhatsApp group, with Filipa and Karen able to add members as needed.

Further Discussions

- Concern noted about lack of engagement from other trusts. The AGM information had been sent to education teams and unit leads; further contact will be made to encourage wider participation.
- Plans to spread study days across Northern Ireland to encourage attendance from smaller units.
- Each study day will be planned with a minimum of three months' notice. The next event will follow the previous, with venue and date secured, a broad topic overview provided initially, and further details closer to the event.
- A conference is scheduled in five months, with a study day to follow.
- The NI BACCN board meeting will take place at the conference.

Finance

The current account balance is approximately £3,733 (as of 31/05/2026: £3,733.03).

- Consideration given to using some funds to support attendance at events. Other funding options include BACCN grants.
- Discussion as to how many people could be supported or what activities could be funded if money is used for this purpose.

Conference Volunteers

- Aideen, Rowan, Cheryl, April, Carol-Anne, and Wendy volunteered to oversee room timings and facilitate movement between areas during the conference.

Next Steps

- Further committee meeting planned in a few weeks.
- Request for committee member biographies to be uploaded to the BACCN site, including access request for the regional page.