# Newsletter
## *Winter 2023*

Welcome to our first newsletter! The aim of this newsletter is to keep you up to date with the work of the RSC Education Community Scotland committee, as well as pass on other information relevant to chemistry education in Scotland.

The aim of the Education Community Scotland Committee is to cultivate knowledge, understanding, and active involvement in all areas of the chemical sciences relevant to education, teaching, and communication in Scotland.

## Who are we?

Fraser Scott (University of Strathclyde) - Chair
Frank Murray – Treasurer
Elizabeth Steven (Edinburgh University) – Secretary
Shona Donnelly (Marr College)
Morag Easson (Firrhill High School)
Derek Steven (New College Lanarkshire)
Dawn Gillies (RSC)
Nicola Jordan (RSC)
Colin McGill (Edinburgh Napier University)
Katy Alder (James Gillespie's High School)
Vicky Thomson (Kilsyth Academy)
Laura Alexandra Smith (RSC)
Yalinu Poya (University of the West of Scotland)
Ian Stewart (Education Scotland)

## Inspirational Committee Award

The RSC Education Community Scotland have won the 2023 Inspirational Committee award "for supporting and representing teachers to policymakers, influencing how chemistry is taught in Scotland with notable impact on the curriculum". More details at https://www.rsc.org/prizes-funding/prizes/2023-winners/education-community-scotland-committee/#undefined

## Updated Website

The RSC Education Community Scotland website can be found here. This will be kept up to date with our activities.

## CLPL: West of Scotland Meeting for Teachers of Chemistry



#WoSChem24

Department of Pure & Applied Chemistry
University of Strathclyde
Thursday 11th January 2024

24th Annual West of Scotland Meeting for Teachers of Chemistry

Colin McGill
Edinburgh Napier University
@PlannedInScot
Planned in Scotland for Teachers in Scotland: CPD designed for you

Vicky Thompson
North Lanarkshire Council
Supporting your technicians in AH Investigations

Fraser Scott
University of Strathclyde
@Sci_DrScott
RSC Ed. Com. Scot. Committee Update

Lesley Connelly
SQA
Updates from the SQA

Alastair Wark
University of Strathclyde
Advanced Higher Investigations (hands-on practical session)

Stalls and stall presenters
Ian Stewart            Dawn Gillies
Education Scotland      RSC
Chris Lloyd
SSERC

Registration and information
https://www.strath.ac.uk/science/chemistry/teachers/woschem/

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## CLPL: Planned in Scotland for Chemistry Teachers in Scotland

For the past two years, the *Planned in Scotland* group has presented online CLPL on a variety of topics as well as some face to face CLPL for chemistry teachers. In the 23/24 school year, we are again hosting a series of online CLPL sessions. More details at https://chemistryteaching.scot/planned-in-scotland-for-teachers-in-scotland/planned-in-scotland-for-chemistry-teachers-in-scotland-23-24/