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EDUCATION  
COMMUNITY SCOTLAND

# Newsletter

## Autumn 2024

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)  
Niall Sommerville (RSC)  
Ian Stewart (Beeslack Community High School)  
Alasdair Jappy (Mearns Academy)

### 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

#WoSChem25

Department of Pure & Applied Chemistry  
University of Strathclyde  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2025

25<sup>th</sup> Annual West of Scotland Meeting for Teachers of Chemistry



Jonathan Firth  
University of Strathclyde  
@JWF\_Firth  
Using Metacognition in your Classroom



Debra Willison  
University of Strathclyde  
25 years of Chemistry CLPL at Strathclyde



Louise McAdam  
Glasgow Academy  
@lmc\_adam  
Discussion: Where Next for Chemistry Teaching?



Fraser Scott  
University of Strathclyde  
@FSC\_Scott  
RSC Scotland Community Update



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

Stalls and stall presenters

Dawn Gillies  
Royal Society of Chemistry  
Chris Lloyd  
SSEAC

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 three 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 24/25 school year, we are again hosting a series of online CLPL sessions. More details at <https://chemistryteaching.scot/planned-in-scotland-for-chemistry-teachers-in-scotland-23-24/>