

UK Committee (UKC) Annual Report 2023

The association is run by volunteers from across the Higher Education sector who work in teams in the UKC to offer training, communications, and development opportunities for our members. You can find a list of the current UK Committee on the [HELOA website](#).

Business of the UKC

The UKC have met 4 times this year, twice online and twice in person with agenda items and votes including AGM 2024, group roles, election of trustees. In addition, the executive committee meet monthly to ensure awareness of projects, and goals across UKC and have discussed items such as primary contact reviews, carbon accounting, financial responsibility and procedures and communication and content. Decisions taken by Trustees and key items of note are communicated back to membership via Group meetings, and through the HELOA communication channels. Members are encouraged to raise items or feedback via Groups.

Key developments this year

- Fulfilling our previous strategy and developing the 2024-2026 strategy with focuses on EDI and sustainability.
- Completing our EDI consultation with EMBED and beginning the implementation of recommendations from the reports.
- Delivered over 40 local and national meetings, training events and engagements with over 45% of our membership.

External representation

We consult with several external organisations to promote informed choices and as Chair, I sit on the UCAS Council and can represent HELOA's views. I have attended 4 meetings this year conversing on topics like reform, strategy and upcoming changes and developments to the platform and how this affects the students and advisers we support.

Conclusion

Thank you to all the volunteers in post and those who have stepped down from their posts this year, the success of HELOA continues thanks to the hard work of each volunteer and their care for our charity mission. Also, our appreciation to the HELOA Office staff, Dawn, and Louise - they work so hard, care a lot about our members and the work we do and make us an efficient association. Please do take the time to read reports, question us as a committee and attend AGM to vote on the upcoming work of HELOA.

Reena Littlehales

UK Chair

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