

Annual Conference, 2019

**‘If Sustainability is the Question, is Digital the Answer?’**

11th-12th April, University of Chester

**Never before has the sustainability of Higher Education Providers been so relevant.  
With the recommendations of the post 18 education and funding review imminent (and rumours abound), competition for students (and staff) being greater than ever, Brexit looming and pension costs rising, we need to take a hard look at ourselves, our strategies, approaches and models to ensure we can survive and thrive in the new environment. The AMHEC 2019 conference will explore the sector’s challenges and in particular consider how our institutions might use and leverage new digital capabilities to stay relevant and differentiate ourselves.**

**With speakers from within and external to the sector the 2019 conference is a must for your professional calendar.**

**AMHEC prides itself on encouraging open and honest dialogue between members, so as ever there will be plenty of opportunity to network with colleagues. With such a vast range of expertise in the room this is always much value to be derived by attendees.**

**The annual conference is the highlight of the year for AMHEC and this year promises to be no different.**

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| **THURSDAY 11TH APRIL 2019** | |
| 10.00 am | Registration and arrival refreshments |
| 11.00 am | **Welcome and Introduction**  Claire Lorrain, AMHEC Chair |
| 11.10 am | **Session 1:** **KEY NOTE – FEE’S FUNDING AND THE FUTURE**  *Presenter: Alex Bols, Deputy CEO, Guild HE*  **Introduced by:** Claire Lorrain, University of Winchester |
| 12.00am | **Session 2: RESHAPING YOUR WORKFORCE FOR UNCERTAIN TIMES**  *Presenter: Nicola Bennison, Partner, Eversheds Sutherland*  **Introduced by:** Anthony Parker, University of Chester |
| 12.45 pm | **Question & Answer Session**  *Led by: Anthony Parker* |
| 1.00 pm | LUNCH |
| 2.00 pm | **Session 3: SUSTAINABLE VALUE AND INTEGRATED REPORTING?** *Presenter: Andrew Shenstone from Advanced HE, and Simon Day Director of Finance, University of Winchester*  **Introduced by:** Claire Lorrain, University of Winchester |
| 2.45 pm | **Session 4:** **GETTING THE MOST OF OUR JISC TO SUPPORT TEACHING AND LEARNING OF THE FUTURE**  *Presenter: Jason Miles-Cambell, Head of Jisc Scotland and Jisc Northern Ireland, Jisc*  **Introduced by:** Jo O’Boyle, Stranmillis University College |
| 3.30 pm | **Question & Answer Session**  *Led by: Jo O’Boyle* |
| 3.45 pm | TEA/COFFEE |
| 4.00 pm | **Session 5: MAXIMISING STUDENT ENGAGEMENT THROUGH LEARNING ANALYTICS**  *Presenter: David Cole, Commercial Director Solutionpath*  **Introduced by:** Emma Wilkins, York St John University |
| 4.45 pm | **Session 6: STAYING RELEVANT IN THE DIGITAL AGE**  *Presenter: Dan Babington, Technology Consulting, PwC UK*  **Introduced by:** Emma Wilkins, York St John University |
| 5.15 pm | **Question & Answer Session**  *Led by: Emma Wilkins* |
| 5.25 pm | CLOSE |
| 7.00 pm | Evening Reception *(sponsored by Eversheds Sutherland)* |
| 7.30 pm | Dinner and Bar *(Dress code: smart/casual)* |
| **FRIDAY 12TH APRIL 2019** | |
| 8.00 am | BREAKFAST (Whites Dining Room) |
| 10:00 am | **AMHEC Annual General Meeting** |
| 10.30 am | **Session 7: IMPLEMENTING SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS IN PROCESSES AND PRACTISE**  *Presenter: Jimmy Brannigan, Director, NETpositive Futures*  **Introduced by:** Michael Hayes, Liverpool Hope University |
| 11:00 am | **Session 8: IS A PROBLEM SHARED A PROBLEM HALVED?**  *Presenter: Tony Sanders, Managing Director, FX Plus Department for Education*  **Introduced by**: Steve Deville, Bishop Grosseteste University |
| 11:30 am | **Question & Answer Session**  *Led by: Steve Deville* |
| 11.45 am | TEA/COFFEE |
| 12.00 pm | **Session 9: CHANGING PERCEPTIONS OF THE EMPLOYMENT DEAL**  *Presenter: Nicola Carter, Head of HR Advice, Universities and Colleges Employers Association*  **Introduced by**: Emma Wilkins, York St John University |
| 12.40 pm | **Question & Answer Session** |
| 13.00 pm | LUNCH AND DEPARTURE |