

Annual Conference2020

**Student and Staff Engagement: a new decade & new horizon.**

26th & 27th March 2020

**Student and staff engagement are emergent themes in higher education, and is seen as an essential requirement for effective learning, and providing staff with the right conditions to stay committed and motivated to the institution’s goals and values. However, student and staff engagement has proved challenging with the pressures from the internal and external environments.**

**We need to look for clarity in our expressions, approaches, strategies and models to ensure we can thrive, and provide benefits for all.**

**The AMHEC 2020 conference will explore the challenges faced by the sector in staff and student engagement, and how our institutions by asking more challenging questions about the degrees, types and platforms of engagement can enhance the learning and working-life experience.**

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| **Thursday 26th March 2020** | |
| 10.00 am | Registration and arrival refreshments |
| 11.00 am | **Welcome and Introduction**  Claire Lorrain, AMHEC Chair, University of Winchester |
| 11.10 am | **Session 1: KEY NOTE**  **Introduced by:** Claire Lorrain, University of Winchester  **Presenter:** Gordon McKenzie, Chief Executive, Guild HE |
| 12.00am | **Session 2**  **Introduced by:** Tony Sharma, Newman University  **Presenter:** Laurence Hopkins, Head of Research, UCEA  **Title:** Pensions, Gender Pay and Living Wage |
| 12.45 pm | **Question & Answer Session**  **Led by:** Tony Sharma, Newman University |
| 1.00 pm | LUNCH |
| 2.00 pm | **Session 3**  **Introduced by:** Claire Lorrain, University of Winchester  **Presenter**: Joanne Thompson, Head of Human Resources, York St John University  **Title:** Employee Engagement; Challenges and Next Steps |
| 2.45 pm | **Session 4**  **Introduced by:** David Kerry, Liverpool Hope University  **Presenter:** Susan Kelly, Head of Corporate Communication, Liverpool Hope University  **Title:** Working with the media: supporting staff and students |
| 3.30 pm | **Question & Answer Session**  **Led by:** Michael Hayes, Liverpool Hope University |
| 3.45 pm | TEA/COFFEE |
| 4.00 pm | **Session 5**  **Introduced by:** Anthony Parker, University of Chester  **Presenter:** Jamie Morris, Student Support & Development Manager, University of Chester  **Title:** The University of Chester Support App |
| 4.45 pm | **Session 6**  **Introduced by:** Jill Stubley, Bishop Grosseteste University  **Presenter**: Emily Hughes, Partnership Development Manager, Bishop Grosseteste University  **Title**: An Apprenticeship Journey – where have we been, and where are we going? |
| 5.15 pm | **Question & Answer Session**  *Led by: Anthony Parker, University of Chester* |
| 5.25 pm | CLOSE  *Led by: Claire Lorrain, University of Winchester* |
| 7.00 pm | Evening Reception *(sponsored by Eversheds Sutherland)* |

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| **FRIDAY 27th March 2020** | |
| 8.00 am | BREAKFAST |
| 9.30 am | **AMHEC Annual General Meeting** |
| 09:45 am | **Session 7**  **Introduced by:** Jo O’Boyle, Stranmillis University College  **Presenter:** Eversheds Sutherland |
| 10.30 am | **Session 8**  **Introduced by:** Jill Stubley, Bishop Grosseteste University  **Presenter:** Jack Beldon, Commercial Director, Perkbox  **Title:** Perkbox and Employee Engagement |
| 11.00 am | **Question & Answer Session**  *Led by: Jill Stubley, Bishop Grosseteste University* |
| 11.15 am | TEA/COFFEE |
| 11. 35am | **Session 9**  **Introduced by:** Claire Lorrain, University of Winchester  **Presenter:** Dilys Robinson, Principal Associate, Institute for Employment Studies  **Title:** Employee engagement: is it different in HE? |
| 12.10 pm | **Question & Answer Session**  *Led by:* *David Kerry, Liverpool Hope University* |
| 12:20pm | LUNCH AND DEPARTURE |