

# Milton Keynes RCN Branch Newsletter

October 2024



## Milton Keynes Branch AGM

8th of November 2024,  
11am-2pm  
Academic Centre ,



We need your support in order to run the local branch!

Please take the time to attend in person or on teams if you can!

More information on what the branch does and how you can be involved is on the next page.



## What is a Branch AGM

**This is mandatory and must take place in September or October each year to enable the new committee to be elected in advance of the new calendar year.**

An AGM must include certain items on the agenda including voting in a new committee for the following year

Ten members must be present at an AGM in person or via a virtual meeting for it to go ahead.

Members should be given 21 days' notice of the date, time and venue.

If ten members are not present within 15 minutes of the start time, the meeting should be rescheduled with another 21 days' notice being given.

Note - Members can be present either in person or virtual.

The branch AGM must include the following items on the agenda:

- Report from the branch chair of the branch's previous year's activities
- Latest management account statement from the branch treasurer – this should be obtained from the country/regional office
- Ratification of RCN representatives.
- Election of branch committee members for the next year



## 2024 BRANCH COMMITTEE



### Branch Chair

Catherine Apiaka, nurse at Chadwick lodge working for Elysium Healthcare in Milton Keynes . Supports members as a Learning Rep.



### Secretary

Stephen, Shouler , a Senior Staff Nurse in the Dermatology Department, in the Outpatients Department at Milton Keynes University Hospital. Supports members as a Steward. Also a member of the RCN stewards committee.



### Treasurer also the LGBTQ committee member at present

HCA Practice Educator at Milton Keynes University Hospital and support members as an RCN steward and Learning Rep. Also the South East member of the RCN UK NSW Committee

NSW committee member, Elizabeth Gleeson

Nurse/Student Committee member, Dawn Collis

Bame Committee Member , Abigail Boateng



Why not join the committee there are three main positions

Chair

Secretary

Treasurer

We also had seats on the committee in the past to represent members examples of these are

NSW

LGBTQ

BAME

Student Nurse

Being part of the committee is a really good way of having influence on how the Branch is run and maintained and the events that are held.



## NSW Blog

The HCA band 2-3 change for those that qualify is in progress at MKUH .

Details of this including backpay can be discussed with HR or your local RCN Reps.

The number of band 3 roles available will be dependent on the acuity of the work area.

HCA's must meet the criteria set that will include the completion of the Care Certificate and the MKUH HCA Standards and working towards level 3 if not already achieved.

Please be aware that enhancements for unsocial hours etc will be lower for a band 3 role.

Written by Liz Gleeson



**Student Nurses, Nurses, Healthcare assistants, Assistant Practitioners, Nursing Associates and retired members, are you a budding writer, would you like to write an article or share your pictures of activities you are involved in as part of the RCN**

**Then please contact:  
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