



Association for Family &  
Systemic Psychotherapy

# Branches committee report

## 2026 AGM

**Report period:** 1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025

**Committee:** Branches

**Chair:** Beccy Holttum

**Members:** Karen Bagley, Caz Brown, Simon Cornwell, Clare Cribb, Liz Curtis, Michael Galbraith, Jane Gilmore, Victoria Hernandez, Nicola Herring, Carole Hunt, Dione McGuigan, Dan O'Neill, Mary Power, Katrina Redpath, Claire Stanley, Andy Stephenson, Brandia Tena-Calderon, Ellen Twist, Gill Wyse

**Retiring members within period:** London branch, Myrena Mercken, Laura Bartlett

**Supported by:** Sanah Bukhari

## Review of activities during the last 12 months

Many branches have established active committees that meet regularly to plan events, coordinate CPD opportunities, and ensure that members feel supported and connected. Across the four nations, branches are also working collectively to support upcoming AFSP conferences, and a growing sense of community and connection is emerging across the network.

We have held 5 meetings annually (4 online and 1 in-person)

## Plans for the next 12 months

We plan to continue to grow and continue supporting systemic thinkers and AFSP as a whole. We are focusing on offering CPD events, building partnerships, being involved with conference planning and delivery, and collaborating with fellow branches. We also will continue to meet regularly (four time online and once in person) over the next 12 months.

## General comments

Over the last year the branches have felt unstable in regards to all the changes within AFSP. They have raised concerns about stability going forward. The branches welcome the new website and the benefits that come with it. Currently a lot of branches are struggling to recruit new members. We are working hard as we can with the support of AFSP to think about how we can overcome these struggles.

I would like to thank all of the branch reps for their hard work and continued support to me and I look forward to chairing the committee for the next twelve months. I couldn't do this without your support.

I would also like to thank AFSP for their continued support.

Thank you to the AFSP office staff that work tirelessly to keep the organisation going.