

AGM

Saturday 16th May 2026



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Apologies



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Minutes

Approve minutes from 2025



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Reports

- Chair's Report
- Treasurer Report
- General Synod Reps Report
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Chair: Hannah Lewis

- New committee discussed vision for and values of DAT at our first meeting in July
- We have learned to work together as a committee, valuing the strengths and skills we all bring. But we still need to recruit one or two more committee members to share workload a bit more – anyone interested please speak to me. Don't have to be CofE to be on committee.
- Our aims for the year included raising the profile of DAT on social media and with the wider Church (especially Church of England). Encouraged by new people attending this conference.

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Chair: Hannah Lewis

- Developing a good relationship between DAT and Bishop Alastair (Bishop of Woolwich in Southwark Diocese) and new lead Bishop on Deaf Issues in CofE.
- In 2027 DAT will be 60 years old (It began as NDCC in 1967 and changed to DAT). We have exciting plans which we will announce at the end of the AGM!



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Treasurer: Ernest Seager
Bookkeeper: Hannah Lewis

Accounts from
1st January 2025
to 31st December
2025



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Receipts

Year end
31st
December
2025

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Receipts Year end 31st December 2025

	2025	2024
Donations	£1,130	£2,791
IEWG	£0	£0
Bank interest	£1,587	£2,033
Sale of goods	£203	£210
Spring Conference	£7,010	£7,405
Total	£9,930	£12,439

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Expenses

Year end 31st
December 2025



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Expenses

Year end 31st December 2025

	2025	2024
Trustees meeting expenses	£482	£21
Spring Conference	£8,334	£11,773
Insurance	£180	£165
IEWG	£511	£676
Presenter 2021	£0	£50
Website	£192	£130
Sundries	£213	£138
Merchandise goods	£0	£198
Day event	£0	£395
Award and donation	£100	£100
Total	£10,012	£13,646

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Excess of expenses over income
- £82

£16,080 in unrestricted reserve
£127,124 in Ruth White legacy
fund

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Notes for 2025



- Donations in 2025 lower than 2024 due to large single donation in 2024 which we didn't receive this year.
- Trustee meeting expenses up due to more widely scattered trustees so larger travel expenses for the meetings in London (two meetings in London, two on zoom). We also had to pay rent for a meeting room last year. Now we have use of a free room thanks to Bishop Alastair arranging for us to use a room in Southwark Diocesan Office
- Other increases in costs due to inflation

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General Synod Report

Sarah Tupling (DAT rep on synod)

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We need to elect 3 reps for 2026-2031
Deaf members who attend CofE churches (hearing
churches or Deaf churches) welcome to stand –
please talk to Sarah or Mary for more info.

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Signs Magazine Report

Mary Bucknall (editor)

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Signs Magazine is issued free to DAT members online, plus some paper copies by post.

3 issues of Signs so far produced and printed since the last AGM. Some back copies are now on the DAT website.

Thanks to Hannah Lewis and Ernest Seager.

Now 12 pages instead of 16. More contributions/photographs needed for the summer edition of Signs.

If you have any local stories of interest for “Spotlight on the Regions”, please send them in.

- Deadline 31st July 2026

Any questions or comments?

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International Ecumenical Working Group

Report from Susan Myatt – DAT rep on IEWG Board

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IEWG BOARD ACTING CHAIR MESSAGE

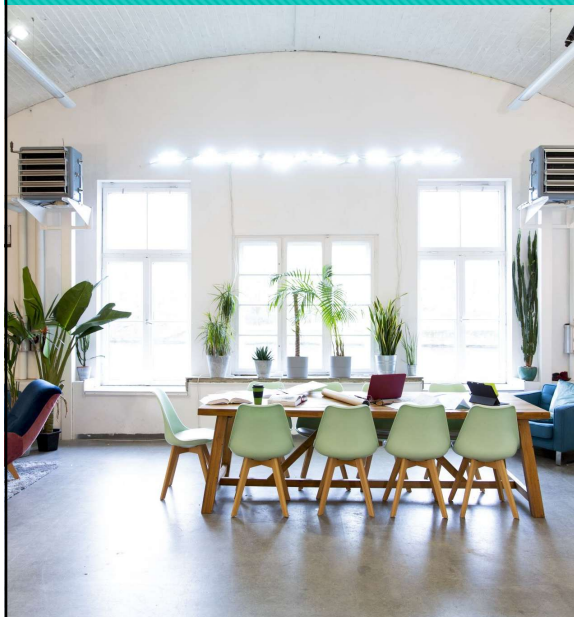
Rev Susan Myatt, the Acting Chair of the IEWG Board along with the other board members would like to inform you about the 2026 IEWG Conference in Oslo, Norway.

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IEWG CONFERENCE THEME

- **The conference will focus on how Deaf and Hearing People work together in working and social environments.**
- **The main speaker for the conference is Rev. Dr. Hannah Lewis, who will be sharing her experiences about this year's theme.**

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IEWG CONFERENCE OSLO 2026

- DATE: 28.09.2026 - 02.10.2026
- VENUE: Rønningen folkehøgskole | Oslo | Norway
- COST: 800 Euros
- ROOMS: No single Rooms. Shared rooms are available.

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INFORMATION

- To book your place, use the QR Code below



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DATE: 28.09.2026 - 02.10.2026

THEME: The conference will focus on how Deaf and Hearing People work together in working and social environments.

Please visit our website for more information about the speakers.

COST: 750 Euros, based on people sharing a room. Breakfast, Lunch and Evening Meal included in the cost.

Single rooms are available on request.

QR CODE REGISTRATION FORM:



Closing date for registration will be May 15th 2026.

WEB: <https://deaf-iewg.com> FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/DeafIEWG>




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IEWG WEBSITE

<https://deaf-iewg.com>

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International Ecumenical Working Group

DAT committee will send one delegate to conference
(Sarah Tupling)

They have also agreed to pay conference fee (800 Euro) to
help 4 more Deaf Christians from UK to attend
(this money from Ruth White Legacy Fund)
If interested talk to Hannah

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Janice Palmer Award

No nominations for Janice Palmer award
for 2026 (yet! There is still time!)



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Notices



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Spring Conference next year

14 – 16 May 2027

At High Leigh, Hoddesdon
(Hertfordshire)



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**DAT 60th anniversary
Service of celebration
and thanksgiving for BSL**

Saturday 11th September 2027
At Southwark Cathedral



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