2025 AGM
The Chair's Report
Jonathan Leeson

13th Nov 2025

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Agenda

- Opening of Meeting

- Update from chair – Jonathan

- Financial Report 2025, Chris

- Reports from officers – Inclusion (Norman) , Communications (Haiyan), Events Update (Gill)

- Nominations for Executive Committee Members

- Any other business

- Close AGM

- Symposium

Chair's Report: 2025 in review

- Continued to expand on the Launch of "Refocus and Re-engage" strategy and the use of working groups on topics suggested at the symposium; to involve more of the membership

- Focus on events including the annual IT Leaders Conference and Members Symposium

- Expanded the work of service resilience working group

- Expand our membership to connect with a larger BCS members audience.

Chair's Report: Highlights of 2025

- Continued to advance the of working groups
  - Service Resilience was the key focus for 2025
  - Collaboration with other BCS specialist groups, including the security and enterprise architecture groups.
  - External feature with the BCS HQ on Resilience and Security

2025 Financials & Membership

Budget for the year ending 08/2025	£1012
Expenditure for the year ending 08/2025:	£855.50
Underspend:	£156.50

Explanation: Had planned for a paid Inclusion event which was delayed.

Budget for the year ending 08/2026	£825
Expenditure so far (November):	£0

We do have a number events planned including the above event.

Membership: 1751 1824 (-73), includes Overseas Members 204 (+2). LinkedIn Members: 1695. Membership is now 41 to 70+ lowing slightly.. Predominately male at, 74%.

ITLF Events and Publications 2025

Gill Ringland, ITLF Secretary

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Events ftf or virtual

- Availability: the challenge for IT Professionals 9.01.25, 25.02.25 (Convene)
- Availability: the challenge for IT Professionals 31.03.25, 3.04.25
- IT Failures in Nine Banks 22.04.25
- Agentic AI 9.04.25
- Availability: Improving Service Resilience (with BCI) 30.06.25
- ITLF Conference 9.11.25
- What if we built Nuclear Power Stations like IT Systems? (at BCI World) 12.11.25
- AGM & Symposium 13.11.25 ftf and virtual

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Publications

- A series of 21 short papers from the Availability/Service Resilience Working Group
  - https://www.bcs.org/membership-and-registrations/member-communities/bcs-it-leaders-forum/papers/
  - Summary at https://www.bcs.org/media/eitldxyk/availability-service-resilience-summary-of-the-working-group-papers.pdf
- BCS Policy Brief - Treat IT Safety like we treat Health
  - https://www.bcs.org/media/ku4fdukn/treat-it-resilience-like-we-treat-safety.pdf
- Pamphleteers on : AI and the future of work, Is Catastrophic Software Failure a Black Swan, Banking System Failures
  - https://www.longfinance.net/news/pamphleteers/

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Chair's Report: A Big Thankyou

I thank all members of the committee for their support during this year

2025 Executive Committee consisted of the following team.

Chris Fowler (Treasurer), Ian Golding, Norman King (Inclusion Officer), Gill Ringland (Secretary), Christos Stavroulakis, Matthew Taylor (Early Careers Advocate), Haiyan Wu (Communications), Panagiota Karadimitriou, E Anderson and Somayeh Aghnia, Wael Elrifai (International), Kevin Eagles, Andy Fenton, Elle Anderson.

Chair's Report: Committee Update

- I would like to acknowledge the work of those leaving the executive committee and welcome our new members:

    - Leaving: Chris Fowler, Elle Anderson and Andy Fenton. We thank them for their contributions and their service to the committee over the years.
    - Welcome: Mengqui Cao, Dileep Rai and Sarah Greasley

- Appointment of Vice Chair - Haiyan Wu

- Appointment of Treasurer - Gill Ringland

- We try hard to make this your committee so please tell us what you think about what we have been doing, your ideas for working groups, events, other activities, and any issues that you think we should be addressing. Speak up or email us at bcsitleaders@gmail.com