





Gillian our Chair was an expert in tweeting and blogging, the incoming and interim Chair is less enthused with the social media experience but will undertake to engage with it, access and privileged access to do so will be required.

Generally, there have been considerable difficulties in forum communication with confusion regarding teleconferences encountered. People would insert dates in their diary only to have another round of e mails cancelling them, would try and log on only to find that there was no one present to allow them to enter. Administration standards have not been high or helpful for example agenda itineraries were not sent out or were sent out so late as to be ineffective. I am unsure if CYP forum chairs have met virtually recently but several were present at the most recent all chairs teleconferences.

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The effect of the pandemic on forum activity has been catastrophic. Clinical commitments for the practicing members of the forum have been such that volunteer activity has been severely affected. Any spare time has been devoted to supporting the vaccination roll out.

Very little has worked well over the past year, as considered above. Several people have stood in and done their best the committees thanks are extended to Pera Clarke and Wendy Preston

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We have a strategy day planned for February where we will need a full and frank discussion as to form priorities and future direct and strategy to go forward. At present it is perhaps better to say that we will remain flexibly positioned and await developments with regards to the effect of the new Covid variants

There are a number of very acute challenges which will need to be addressed next year (2022) and going forward, one the relevance of the NMC Child Field of Practice curriculum standards. The Children and Young People Nurse Academic UK are increasingly concerned about the generic nature of the programmes designed to equip children's nurses. The feeling prevalent

