



## Report from the Educational and Technical committee meeting on Monday 13th May 2024.

**Members Attending:** Liveryman Julie Spinks (Chair), David Adams (The Master), Charles Brooks (Upper Warden), Sandra Raine (Renter Warden), Asst. Kevin Wellman and Liverymen Kevin McCallister, Susanne Surman-Lee and Jerry Whiteley

In attendance: The Clerk and Lvy Richard Soper

### Item 1. Annual Lectures:

- **2024 Annual Lecture – 13 May.** Around 80 were expected to attend and a video was to be recorded.
- As there were changes to the format and venue, efforts will be made to gather feedback after the event inform a decision in respect of 2025
- **2025 Annual Lecture – 12 May.** The Upper Warden, liaising with Lvy Graham Setterfield, is seeking to focus on English rivers and water quality.
- Improvements are to be considered to help non-Liverymen book online in 2025.
- **2026 Annual lecture – TBA.** The Renter Warden had started giving some general thought to the 2026 lecture, one idea being to hold the event in Birmingham. This would need to be planned in conjunction with the major WPC event and may necessitate the need to change the lecture date to June.

### Item 2. Awards and Bursaries:

- **Bursaries 2024** - Six bursary winners were selected and announced by the Master on World Plumbing Day (11 March). Two winners would receive awards at the annual lecture.
- **Presentations of Certificates of Excellence** – It was agreed that 2024 presentations (for HIP and Bursary Winners) would be split over the Annual Lecture and Installer Show, individuals being offered a choice. HIP Learner of the Year and Female Skills winners to be presented at the Annual lecture.

Adnan from Windsor Forest Langley  
Campus - 2024 Bursary winner



Daniel from Dundee & Angus Kingsway  
College - 2024 Bursary winner



Daisy - HIP Learner of the Year &  
Female Skills Competition winner



- **Bursaries 2025** – The timetable and improvements to the application form would be prepared for the next meeting

### **Item 3 Inter-Livery Group Reports:**

- **Livery Climate Action Group (LCAG)** A paper from Asst. Damon Reynolds 'Developing our Climate Action Plan' was discussed, with members encouraged to volunteer to become a climate change representative.
- **Construction Liveries Group (CLG)** – The CLG are planning a series of learning event workshops about the changing London skyline, focusing on a variety of specialties including surveys, insurance and traditional construction.

### **Item 4 Apprenticeships/Trailblazers:**

- Lvy McCallister reported that an Employers Group had been established in the CIPHE to support the development of a new level 2 trailblazer.

### **Item 5 Licence to practice:**

- Lvy Wellman gave a brief recap of current topics under consideration at Government level which include water consumption, water efficiency, leaky loos and the competence of installers.

### **Item 6 Industry Facilitation:**

- **Installer Show, NEC Birmingham.** The Plumbers Company is booked to take a stand at the next Installer Show which takes place from 25 to 27 June 2024. Final preparations are underway.

### **Item 7 World Plumbing Conference 2026:**

- **World plumbing Conference 2026.** The next World Plumbing Conference will take place in June 2026. A preliminary meeting had been held to consider how the WCP can support.

**Julie Spinks**  
**Chair**  
**29<sup>th</sup> May 2024**