

Updates from the April 2026 HoDoMS AGM

Background

The AGM took place during the 2026 HoDoMS Annual Conference in Birmingham. During the meeting the Chair of HoDoMS brought to the attention of the AGM, information about activities which had taken place during the previous year.

Support for Departments

This year HoDoMS continued to support Heads of Department to attend the conference. In addition, a new support fund was opened up to offer assistance with caring costs for Heads attending the conference.

This is a timely point to remind all Departments that as an organisation, HoDoMS actively seeks to support Heads and their Departments. Heads are very welcome to reach out to the HoDoMS Committee, if they would value a conversation.

Course for Heads of Departments of Mathematical Sciences

The HoDoMS Committee is planning a new Course for Heads of Departments which will run in September 2026.

HoDoMS Website

The HoDoMS website now contains some information about the history of HoDoMS and a list of those who have held Officer roles in the past.

Assessment in HE Mathematical Sciences

In the summer of 2025, HoDoMS endorsed the statement produced by the Learned Societies (IMA, LMS and RSS) on assessment in the Mathematical Sciences.

Induction Course

HoDoMS has continued to provide financial support for the Induction Course for New Lecturers, run by the IMA.

Other Meetings

In recent months, HoDoMS has been invited to attend the Learned Societies Forum which is convened by the Academy for the Mathematical Sciences. This has provided an opportunity to feed in a departmental perspective to the discussions.