Greener Palliative Care Award Our Team

At present the GPCA scheme does not have a budget, with our work being carried out by volunteers.

Some of our team have been supported by their employers to spend time developing this work as part of their paid professional roles (e.g. time included in job plans).

As the GPCA scheme develops, our Development Group will keep under review the governance structure, making changes if needed.

Please see details of our current groups and their memberships below. More information on our governance can be found here.

GPCA Working Group

The GPCA was developed by a working group of Palliative Care Sustainability Network (PCSN) members, offering broad representation across roles/professions and palliative care settings.

Membership:

Kate Crossland*, Angela Hayes*, Paul Fraser*, Bernadette Lee, Sarah Tullett, Rosie Stewart, Melanie Taylor, David Slack Stephanie Ainley - Need photo/bio

*Palliative Care Sustainability Network Co-leads

GPCA Assessment Group

This group reviews evidence submitted by teams/organisations applying for an award level, meeting online for review panel sessions every quarter.

Membership:

Kate Crossland, Angela Hayes, Paul Fraser, Bernadette Lee, Sarah Tullett, Rosie Stewart, Melanie Taylor

GPCA Development Group

This group focuses on the future development of the GPCA, including strategy development, partnership building, marketing and funding.

Membership:



Dr Kate Crossland, MBBS, BSc, MRCP, DipPallMed, AFHEA

Palliative Care Specialty Doctor

Guy's & St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust

Kate is a community palliative care doctor, currently within the NHS but with over a decade of experience in the hospice sector. Kate is one of the founding members of the Palliative Care Sustainability Network, and is a member of her NHS Trust's sustainability working group.

Outside her medical career, Kate works across a number of sectors to drive forward climate action. This includes developing a community solar installation project following a successful application for grant funding; building a sustainability plan for a school as part of her role as a school governor; and working in her local community on smaller scale projects. Kate has also stood for election a number of times for the Green Party.

She brings a wealth of experience from many different aspects of sustainability work to her role within the team.



Angela Hayes

Nurse Fellow & Project Lead

Centre for Sustainable Healthcare

Angela received a two-year sponsorship, from Micro-tech-UK, to work for the Centre for Sustainable Healthcare, as a Nurse Fellow & Project Lead. Angela worked as a Clinical Nurse Specialist in Specialist Palliative Care at The Christie Foundation Trust in Manchester. She has a nursing background in Intensive Care, Management and Teaching.

A Climate Change activist, she is passionate about engaging Health Care professionals in working sustainably and promoting the 'Climate Crisis' message in relation to public health. Angela led the Green Team Competition at The Christie hospital, she has presented widely on Sustainable Healthcare, is a Carbon Literacy trainer, and is a co-lead for the Palliative Care Sustainability network. She has published articles on the Climate Emergency, and received awards for her work - the Nursing Times' Best Social Responsibility Programme, the British Journal of

Nursing's Sustainability Nurse of the Year, and has been short-listed in the Smarter Working Lives awards.



Paul Fraser

Deputy Director of Programmes

Hospice UK

As Deputy Director of Programmes, Paul ensures the delivery of high quality and relevant projects to support Hospice UK's member hospices, and their place within the wider health and care system.

Paul leads Hospices UK's work within Environmental Sustainability, but also co-leads the Palliative Care Sustainability Network, hosted by the Centre for Sustainable Healthcare.

Paul has worked within social impact, ESG and charity partnerships for over 15 years, and studied Business Sustainability Management at the University of Cambridge in 2020.



Dr Bernadette Lee, MBBS, FRCPConsultant in Palliative Medicine

Princess Alice Hospice

Dr Lee attended Guy's Hospital Medical School. She trained in general medicine and did the specialty registrar rotation in palliative medicine. She has been a Consultant in Palliative Medicine since 2011. She works in Princess Alice Hospice inpatient unit. She is clinical supervisor to various grades of junior doctors and educational supervisor to specialty registrars. She was the Regional Specialty Adviser for Kent, Surrey & Sussex and stepped down after 2-year term as Chair of Specialist Training Committee.

Her special interests are ultrasound and more recently sustainability. She has been running the Focused Abdominal Ultrasound Palliative Care Course (FASP) with Prof Max Watson since 2010.



Sarah Tullett, CMIOSH, AIEMA, MRSPH

Deputy Director Health, Safety, Environment and Business Continuity

Princess Alice Hospice

Sarah is a Chartered member of the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH) and has been a professional health and safety practitioner for over 40 years, working in publishing, operational, enforcement, and for the last 30 years, in advisory roles for healthcare charities.

More recently Sarah has also taken on a strategic role with regard to the Hospice's sustainability work, particularly the environmental and business continuity aspects, as we develop our 'green' initiatives and net zero plan, and progress our wider sustainability and resilience work.



Dr Rosie Stewart

Rosie is a Palliative Medicine Registrar training in South Wales. Her interest in sustainable healthcare started as a medical student, and she has since undertaken further training with the Centre for Sustainable Healthcare and worked as a Sustainable Quality Improvement Fellow at Health Education and Improvement Wales.



Melanie Taylor

Head of Information Support

Hospice UK

Melanie joined Hospice UK in 2001. Currently our Head of Information Support, Melanie is an experienced healthcare information professional, with a background predominantly in the field of public health, Melanie has more than 20 years' experience in end of life care information support.

Melanie's areas of expertise are information and support needs at the end of life; history and development of hospice care in the UK.



David Slack
Director of Finance

St Margaret's Hospice Care

David has spent the last 20+ years working in senior finance and commissioning roles in the health and social care sector, mostly in Somerset. He was the Managing Director leading the Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group from 2012 to 2017.

David joined St Margaret's Hospice in March 2022 as Finance Director and Estates lead. He has overseen the development of the hospice's first Green Strategy building on the work of the staff Green Group.

He lives in Taunton and enjoys spending his leisure time with his family, walking, being part of a local church and watching sport.