

Bristol Actuarial Society (BAS) Statement for year ending 31 August 2026

Membership

As of 31 August 2026, 557 individuals have provided an email address and, therefore, are considered members of the Society. There were no postal members, or life members.

Committee

There were the following changes to the Committee in the year to 31 August 2026:

- Sophie Cooper (Goddard Perry) joined the Committee on 25th September 2025.
- Tom McKenzie (Howden) stepped down on 31st December 2025, with Nathan Tozer joining the Committee as the new BAS representative from Howden.
- Joanne Thorpe (KPMG) stepped down on 31st December 2025, with Hamish Miller joining the Committee as the new BAS representative from KPMG.
- Seren Drew (Quantum Advisory) joined the Committee on 9th January 2026.
- Ben Thompson (PwC) stepped down on 16th March 2026 with Nick Jones joining the Committee as the new BAS representative from PwC.
- Alice Curry (Broadstone) stepped down on 13th May 2026, with Oscar Harte joining the Committee as the new BAS representative from Broadstone and taking up the role of Honorary Membership Secretary.
- Guy Taylor (Britideas) stepped down on 13th May 2026.

As of 31 August 2026, the Committee was as follows:

Sean Jones (Lloyds Banking Group) – President
Declan Carroll (Canada Life) – Honorary Treasurer
Oscar Harte (Broadstone) – Honorary Membership Secretary
Isabella Tyzack (WTW) – Honorary Secretary
Rajeev Aravind (NHBC)
Kris Hristakev (Aviva)
Barney Williams (Ernst & Young)
Hamish Miller (KPMG)
Nathan Tozer (Howden)
Nick Jones (PwC)
Sophie Cooper (Goddard Perry)
Seren Drew (Quantum Advisory)

There have been the following changes to the Committee since 31 August 2026 (at time of writing):

- Declan Carroll (Canada Life) elected to step down as Treasurer and the Committee after the year-end. Nick Jones (PwC) subsequently agreed to take up the role of Treasurer. A handover is currently in progress to ensure a smooth transition of responsibilities.
- Kate Tranter (Aon) joined the Committee on 8th October 2026.

In addition to the Annual General Meeting held on 11th November 2025, the Committee met on four occasions during the year (on 11th November 2025, 24th February 2026, 13th May 2026 and 12th August 2026).

Talks held

During the year, the following presentations were given:

Date	Title	Speaker	Venue
27 November 2025	Mortality in the wake of the Covid-19 Pandemic	Stuart McDonald (LCP)	Howden Offices
10 February 2026	Pensions – Legal Hot Topics	Richard Pettit, Andy Prater, Elena O’Leary (Burgess Salmon)	Burgess Salmon Offices
19 August 2026	Professionalism talk	Barney Williams, Amelia Beresford, Tess Lillicrapp (Ernst & Young)	Ernst & Young Offices

Social Events held

During the year, the following events were held:

Date	Event
14 November 2025	Hare & Hounds (organised by Broadstone)
14 May 2026	BAS Ball (organised by the BAS Committee)
16 July 2026	BAS Pub Quiz (organised by the BAS Committee)

Accounts

A financial summary for the period ending 31 August 2026 is to be submitted to the members at the AGM due to be held on 11 November 2026.

Other points to note

In addition to the usual talks and events that were arranged, the following points are worthy of note.

- Member Interest Group

The Society has continued to be a Member Interest Group ("MIG") of the Actuarial Profession. This is the annual statement that the Society is required to make as part of the requirements of being an MIG.

- Website

A comprehensive website setting out details of the Committee, Events, Information for Students, the History of the Society, and the Governing Documents (such as the Rules and minutes of AGMs) has been maintained and can be found at <https://bristolactuaries.co.uk/>.

Thanks

Our thanks go to these organisations that have generously supported the Society during the year:

- **Burges Salmon, Howden, Ernst & Young, Lloyds Banking Group, and WTW** for providing venues for the Society's talks and BAS Committee meetings;
- **Aviva, Howden, Broadstone, Canada Life, Ernst & Young, Lloyds Banking Group, KPMG, NHBC, PwC, Goddard Perry, Quantum Advisory, Aon, Britideas and WTW** for providing Committee members;
- **Burges Salmon, Ernst & Young, and LCP** for providing speakers; and
- **Broadstone** for helping to organise our social events.

**Sean Jones, on behalf of the BAS
Committee**

14th October 2026