



# Report

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The Council of this Institute has continued to transact business during the 2024/2025 year under the President, Jean Cookson.

Council Members have met on five occasions, including the Pre-AGM, but not the AGM, some face to face and some on-line. There have been other ad-hoc meetings as and when necessary.

The Council has consisted of 12 Members. All meetings have been quorate, attended by between 6 and 8 Council Members, with an average over the year of 7. Several prospective new members of Council have attended a couple of meetings.

At the beginning of 2025 there were 1,356 members of the Insurance Institute of Sheffield, an overall decrease of 30 on the number of members at the beginning 2024 (1,386). Of this total number 624 are General Insurance (GI), 711 are Personal Finance Society (PFS) and 21 are Society of Mortgage Professionals (SMP).

A varied CPD programme is a vital part of the Institute's work and has continued sometimes online and sometimes in person, to suit the needs of our members. Our sincere thanks to our GI CPD Secretary, Laura Scott, assisted by other Council Members, and to Owen Wright and his colleagues for arranging the PFS/Financial Services events.

Our Annual Dinner was again held at the Royal Victoria Crowne Plaza Hotel in Sheffield, and was a great success with a good number of attendees. Thank you to everyone involved in the many and varied arrangements necessary to organise this event.

Colin Matthews has continued to represent the Institute in CII charity affairs. The Insurance Charities support a number of families in our area who have fallen on difficult financial times, and Colin has maintained contact with the people or families during the year. We are indebted to the Insurance Charities which continues to support our area.

We were able to support various events throughout the year with Sheffield Hallam University (SHU). Two Discover Risk events were held at Loxley Park Sixth Form College in Sheffield, which were well received and attended.

In summary, this has been another successful year for the Insurance Institute of Sheffield, where once again the main emphasis has been on providing opportunities for professional development to meet the needs of our members.

Thank you to all Council Members who attend meetings and for their contributions to all of the Institute's activities.