# **NAHFO** Bulletin

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# Welcome

Welcome to NAHFO Bulletin. This is where you can read and have your say on current topics effecting here and now. Looking to roll out every month. Lets work together to make this happen. I need your input - you are the eyes and ears doing the Job day in day out. What support do you need? How can you contribute? With over 300 members and growing fast we have a wealth of knowledge and expertism. Lets share this, as we move progressively forward together with NAHFO.

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# **Reported Current Issues**

**Toaster Bags:** 

Headphones:

LinkedIn "we need you" to Join the NAHFO page - currently at 170 growing daily

Ideas Needed
News from member
\*Fire incidents
\*Training Issues

# NAHFO Corporate Membership Coming soon

#### CPD's

we are working hard to keep you updated with all the companies that are out there offering CPD's - if you know of any company that offers relevant CPD's then please contact admin@nahfo.org. All branch reps will be given a list of current, so as to make contact for forthcoming branch meetings.

# Meetings

13 Branches across NANFO meet on average every 3 months. Feedback from other members is - "its essential part of your membership". Sharing ideals, discussing best practice, Listening to speakers discussing current topics or areas of concern. If you want to know when your next meeting is and where please contact admin@nahfo.org. We look forward to welcoming you there.

### **Corporate Membership**

NAHFO has established there is a thirst for Corporate membership. We are currently developing strategies to move this forward. If your company would be interested then please contact admin@nahfo.org. Or have ideas then please make contact.



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Sad News



#### A tribute to Mal on behalf of NAHFO from Paul Bishop

I am deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Mal Perret, one of our finest colleagues, following a short illness.

I remember Mal as warm, engaging, and humorous, who I spent a lot of time with, following similar journeys on our NHS careers in London, having both attended interviews at Kings College and the Royal Marsden.

I learnt of our parallel experiences by a chance call from Mal, when he passionately articulated the importance of resurrecting the failing North London NAHFO branch meeting. He was so passionate that these branch meetings should be salvaged, given the importance of the work we do, and the limited support resources available within our profession, that he ended the call by him volunteering himself as chair! I remember saying, that if he was brave enough to take on what would be a significant challenge, then I would offer my time and support to him, as his lieutenant.

The inaugural and renamed London branch meeting was held on the 19th of June 2012 at Kings College, with just 6 attendees around a very small table! However it didn't take long for Mal to enthuse the London NHS/NAHFO community to grow the membership exponentially, to over 50 within a short period of time, with Mal reassuringly at the helm.

Mal was knowledgeable and passionate about his work, in helping the most vulnerable in our society, and also always had time for his colleagues. Mal was a well-known, larger than life character, who was universally liked, and an inspirational NAHFO member who will be missed by all that knew him.

Rest in peace my friend.

