

How to Get Involved

Although the union has some full-time reps who deal with some specialist issues such as pay negotiations and representing members at employment tribunals, the bulk of union work is done by individual members and volunteers—like all of us.

Much of the work of the union can be divided into small easy tasks which will not take up much time and can be tailored to suit your interests. If you are interested in getting involved in the work of the union, then there is a wide variety of activities and roles which you might like to consider:

- If you can only have a few minutes per week, then perhaps you could act as a workplace contact, or assist your contact by keeping the noticeboard up to date, or collating views on a current topic of concern.
- If you are interested in helping others, then one of the most rewarding roles can be to help and support other members who might, for example, have become involved in disciplinary action or a grievance. Full training and support can be given to help you undertake this role.
- If you would like special training in health and safety paid for by the union and attended during work time, how about volunteering as a H&S rep?
- If you prefer working 'behind the scenes' and are able to attend a few meetings per year, then perhaps you could volunteer to take the minutes at branch meetings, or help organise some campaigning work.
- If you are interested in organisational change, then how about working with the other unions to liaise with managers on the local or regional staff council.

However much time you have available and whatever your interest, there's a role for you in the union. If you would like to know more then please speak to your workplace contact, your branch secretary or give me a ring on 0131 314 6195.

Sam Telford

GROUP ORGANISER

Group Executive Committee

The GEC works on behalf of all of the seven branches and works to represent all members in the FC. GEC members are elected by their branch, except for the president who is elected by all members.

President	Mary Irvine
Treasurer	Steve Holdsworth
Secretary	Danny Williamson
Organiser	Sam Telford
Assistant Secretary	Allan MacKenzie
Silvan House	Joanne McAuley
	TBD
North Scotland	Hazel MacLean
	Kenneth Knott
South Scotland	Malcolm Crosby
	David Gibson
Wales	Antony Griffiths
	Andy Best
North England	Jim O'Neill
Yorkshire and Humber	Jon Bates
North West England	TBD
Midlands	TBD
East England	Amanda Snell
South East England	TBD
South West England	TBD

Other Useful Contacts

If you need to contact the PCS then the best place to start is via your local workplace contact using the map overleaf. If you don't know who your local contact is, then please speak to the secretary for your branch:

Silvan House	Carole Burgess	0131 314 6163
North Scotland	Hazel MacLean	01738 442830
South Scotland	Joyce Rammell	01387 860264
Wales	Tim Harland	01633 580211
North England	Julie Saunders	01229 862004
Yorkshire & Humber	Debbie Clough	01904 448778
North West England	Paul Vickers	01606 889912
Midlands	Liz Richardson	01780 444920
East England	Teresa Betterton	01842 816010
South West England		
South East England		

Alternatively you can contact the group office at:

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231 Corstorphine Road,
Edinburgh EH12 7AT
Tel: 0131 314 6195
www.fctu.org.uk/pcs
unions@forestry.gsi.gov.uk



Forestry Commission Group
Public and Commercial Services Union

Pocket Directory 2010

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Welcome

Welcome to our revised pocket directory for 2009 which gives details of all the contacts within the PCS Forestry Commission Group as well as other useful information.

Most of us in the FC work in fairly small offices with just a few dozen or less colleagues; about two-thirds of whom are likely to be a member of a union. Nearly all FC offices of this size will have a PCS Workplace Contact; a colleague who has volunteered to act as a link between the PCS members in your workplace and the rest of the union.

If you need to make contact with a union rep then the best place to start is with your local workplace contact, and the names of all of our contacts are contained in this directory. Your contact should be able to provide you with the help that you need, or point you in the right direction to get further advice. If you can't get in touch with your local contact, then please speak to your branch secretary who will be happy to try and help.

Further information is available at: www.fctu.org.uk/pcs

PCS Forestry Commission Group

Workplace Contacts & Branch Map

Silvan House

Chairperson	Mary Irvine
Secretary	Carole Burgess
Treasurer	Susan Clough
Organiser	Vacant
BEC	Linda McGinley
	Paul Boxley
	Joanne McAuley
	Graham McLaughlin
	Tony Farndon

North England

Chairperson	Jim O'Neill
Secretary	Julie Saunders
Treasurer	Julie Saunders
Organiser	Andy Bennett
NW England FD	Julie Saunders & Andy Bennett
NW England RO	Jim O'Neill
Kielder FD	Ian Everard & Jonathan Farries
NE England RO	Colin Grayson

Wales

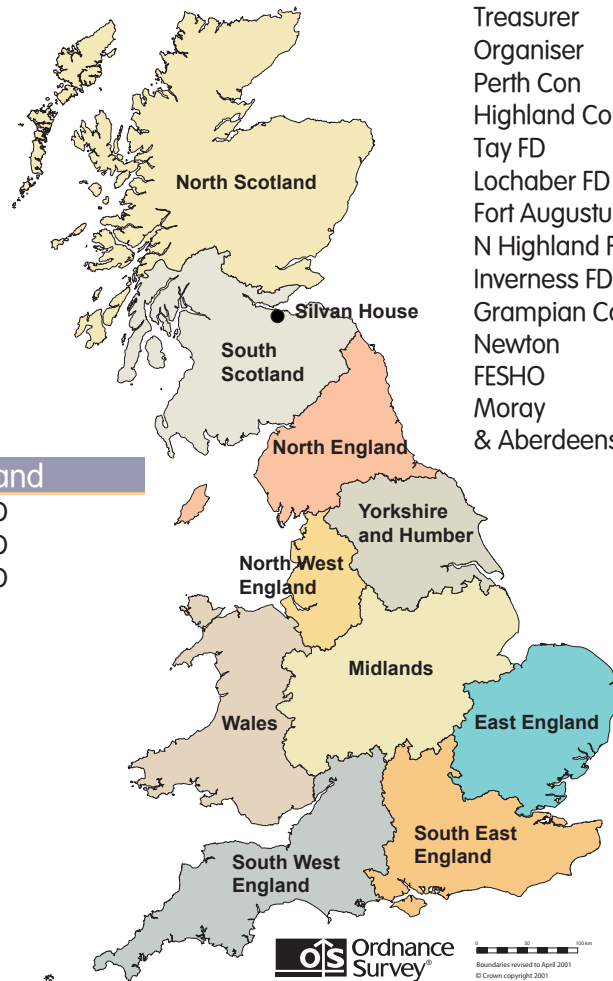
Chairperson	Alan Hubbuck
Secretary	Tim Harland
Treasurer	Jane Owen
Organiser	Bill MacDonald
Llanwrst	Lajla Cash
Ruthin	Andy Best
Dolgellau	Antony Griffiths
Itton	Richard Gable
Aberystwyth	Peter Van-Velzen
Welshpool	StJohn Ashworth
Abergavenny	Liz Hopkins
Llanymddyfri	Ann Moses
Penrhyncoch	Jeanette Freeman
Resolven	Tim Harland

North West England

Chairperson	TBD
Secretary	TBD
Treasurer	TBD

South West England

Chairperson	TBD
Secretary	TBD
Treasurer	TBD
Organiser	TBD
Bristol	Lesley Gane
SW England RO	Dick Gosling
Forest of Dean	
Peninsula FD	Allan Smart



North Scotland

Chairperson	Ashley Woodhouse
Secretary	Hazel MacLean
Treasurer	Neil McFarlane
Organiser	Alastair Smyth
Perth Con	Chris Stark
Highland Cons	Donald Macleod
Tay FD	Peter Fullarton
Lochaber FD	Ian MacEchern
Fort Augustus	Fiona Barnett
N Highland FD	Roddy Macleod
Inverness FD	Brian Duff
Grampian Cons	Eva Sparreboom
Newton	Joanna Barron
FESHO	Ashley Woodhouse
Moray & Aberdeenshire	Jim Seaton

South Scotland

Chairperson	Gordon Kennedy
Secretary	Joyce Rammell
Treasurer	Stephen Stables
Organiser	Gordon Kennedy
Dumfries	David Gibson
SS Cons - Galashiels	Iain Laidlaw
SS Cons - Dumfries	John Macbeth
Central Scotland Cons	Tommy McGrory
Cowal & Trossachs	Rowan Stuart
Galloway FD	Stephen Stables
Scottish Lowlands FD	TBD
Selkirk	TBD
FOTC Ae	Carol Anderson
TDB Ae	Joyce Rammell
Ae FD	Gordon Kennedy
NRS	TBD
FR Ae	Dave Watterson
FCE Peebles	Bruce Hamilton
Business Units Stirling	Margaret Shearer

Yorkshire and Humber

Chairperson	Iwan Downey
Secretary	Debbie Clough
Treasurer	Sally Thirsk
Organiser	Lorna Acomb
Y&H RO	Mick Hoban
FE York Office	Paddy Harrop
N York Moors FD	Jon Bates

East England

Chairperson	Stuart Grainger
Secretary	Teresa Betterton
Treasurer	Kay Ellis
Organiser	TBD
Cambridge	Kay Ellis
Thetford	Ian Kirkham
Thetford	Teresa Betterton

Midlands

Chairperson	Steve Holdsworth
Secretary	Liz Richardson
Treasurer	Graham Munford
Organiser	TBD
West Midlands FD	Steve Holdsworth
West Midlands RO	John Winterbourne
Sherwood & Lincs FD	Pauline Elliot
Northants FD	Liz Richardson

London & SE England

Chairperson	TBD
Secretary	TBD
Treasurer	TBD
Organiser	TBD
Alice Holt	Shirley Stephens
SE England FD	TBD
New Forest	Margaret Golden