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Position / Function	ASGBI SAS Council Representative
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Activity Summary	Since joining the Council as the SAS Representative in November 2025, I have actively contributed to supporting and representing SAS doctors, particularly in relation to the CESR Portfolio Pathway and professional development opportunities within surgery. I attended the Council meeting in November shortly after taking up the role and participated in discussions relevant to SAS engagement and workforce development. During January 2026 and the subsequent months, I collaborated with and endorsed the efforts of leaders from the UK CESR Portfolio Pathway Association, supporting initiatives aimed at improving awareness, guidance, and representation for SAS doctors pursuing specialist registration through the CESR route. I also supported and endorsed a series of online educational sessions focused on the CESR Portfolio Pathway and promoted engagement with the GMC survey for SAS doctors, which remains open until June 2026. These activities aimed to improve awareness of career progression opportunities and encourage wider participation from SAS colleagues.
Publications / Guidelines	Although I was not directly involved in formal publications or guideline development during this reporting period, I contributed to professional discussions and educational activities related to the CESR Portfolio Pathway and SAS career development. I also supported dissemination of information and educational material relating to the GMC SAS survey and CESR Portfolio Pathway initiatives.
Significant Events	ASGBI Conference and Training Workshops – 2026 I participated actively in the ASGBI Conference 2026 in several capacities: • Faculty member in ASGBI training workshops. • Presented two posters at the conference. • Delivered a presentation in a short paper session. • Served as Chair and Co-Chair for conference sessions. These activities provided opportunities to contribute to surgical education, academic discussion, and professional networking while also increasing visibility and engagement for SAS doctors within the surgical community.



	CESR Portfolio Pathway Online Sessions I endorsed and promoted online educational sessions focused on the CESR Portfolio Pathway for SAS doctors. These sessions aimed to: • Improve understanding of CESR requirements. • Support SAS doctors in portfolio preparation. • Encourage professional development and career progression. • Increase awareness of the ongoing GMC SAS survey
Meetings Held	• Attended Council meeting in November 2025 following appointment as SAS Representative. • Participated in collaborative meetings and discussions with leaders of the UK CESR Portfolio Pathway Association during January 2026 and thereafter. • Engaged with colleagues and stakeholders through conference activities and educational sessions related to SAS development and CESR progression.
Key Relationships	During this reporting period, I worked collaboratively with: • Leaders and members of the UK CESR Portfolio Pathway Association. • ASGBI faculty members and conference organisers. • SAS doctors and trainees participating in educational and professional development activities. • GMC-related engagement initiatives concerning the SAS workforce survey. These relationships have helped strengthen communication, advocacy, and educational support for SAS surgeons.
Acknowledgements	I would like to acknowledge: • The Council and ASGBI leadership for their support and opportunities for involvement. • Colleagues within the UK CESR Portfolio Pathway Association for their ongoing advocacy and collaborative efforts. • Faculty members, organisers, and participants involved in ASGBI educational workshops and conference sessions. • SAS colleagues who continue to engage positively in educational and professional development initiatives.
Aims and Objectives for next period	Over the next reporting period, my aims and objectives include: • Continuing to advocate for SAS doctors within the Council and wider surgical community. • Further supporting awareness and development of the CESR Portfolio Pathway. • Planning series of master class in collaboration with Moynihan academy for portfolio pathway with an aim to attract more ASGBI members from the SAS community.



	• Increasing engagement of SAS surgeons in educational, academic, and leadership opportunities. • Contributing to future ASGBI educational activities, workshops, and conferences. • Strengthening collaboration with organisations supporting SAS professional development and workforce representation.
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