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# Strategy on Suicide Conference 2026

24th March 2026 | De Vere Grand Connaught Rooms, London



## Main Room Agenda

- 08.40 Arrivals & Registration - Morning Networking**  
Tea / Coffee / Pastries for Delegates
- 09.40 Welcome Address**  
Will Archer, Managing Director, Collaboration Network  
& Morning Host: Anastasia Vinnikova, Suicide Prevention and Project Officer, Corporation of London
- 09.50 Keynote: Empowering the Conversation on Suicide**  
Geoff McDonald, Co-Founder, Wellbeing in the Wilderness
- 10.20 Keynote: The UK Government's Suicide and Self-Harm Prevention Strategy**  
Liz Twist MP, Chair of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Suicide and Self-Harm Prevention
- 10.50 Fireside Discussion: BS30480 - A World-First Standard for Suicide and the Workplace**  
Featuring Lachean Humphreys - BSI, Marcus Long - IIOA, & Paul Vittles - Towards Zero Suicide
- 11.20 Morning Refreshment & Networking Break in Exhibitor Area**  
Tea / Coffee
- 12.00 Keynote: The True Cost of Poor Mental Health & Suicide in the Workplace**  
Ben Wilson, Clinical Director, Baton of Hope
- 12.30 Fireside Conversation: Suicide Support for Men - From the Terrace to Communities**  
Featuring Will Vaulks, Oxford United Football Club Senior Player, Ben Wilson, Clinical Director, Baton of Hope
- 13.00 Lunch Break & Networking in Exhibitor Area**
- 14.00 Return with Afternoon Host, Geoff McDonald**
- 14.05 Keynote Talk: From the Battlefield to the Boardroom**  
Dave Swann, Former Special Forces Medic, Mental Health Advocate & COO of OurPulse
- 14.35 Case Study: Creating Safe Spaces: A Conversation on Suicide and Debt Advice**  
Featuring Money Wellness & Lived Experience Consumer Voices
- 15.10 Afternoon Refreshment Break & Networking in Exhibitor Area**
- 15.50 Case Study: The Samaritans & Network Rail - The Rail Industry Suicide Prevention Programme**  
Dave Brown, Head of Rail Programme, The Samaritans
- 16.20 Fireside Conversation: Leading Without Certainty: What Suicide Prevention Demands of Leaders Today**  
Featuring Harry Corin, Elevo & Prof. Ann John, Director of the National Centre for Suicide Prevention and Self-harm Research
- 16.50 Closing Remarks:**  
With Will Archer, Ben Wilson, Anastasia Vinnikova, & Geoff McDonald
- 17.00 Networking Drinks Reception**
- 18.00 Close of Day**



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## Training & Workshops Agenda

- 12.00 Workshop: Implementing a Suicide First Aid Approach - What Meaningful Suicide Prevention Looks Like**  
Delivered by Jamie Compton-Rea, The National Centre for Suicide Prevention & Training
- 12.30 Workshop: How to Listen & Provide Support During a Conversation Mentioning Suicide**  
Delivered by The Samaritans
- 14.00 Workshop: SP-ARK Suicide Prevention Awareness, Resource, Knowledge**  
*An introduction to PAPYRUS and suicide prevention*  
Delivered by Ho Yen Tsang, Papyrus
- 14.30 Workshop: An Introduction to Mental Health First Aid in the Workplace**  
Delivered by Mental Health First Aid England

## Exhibitors at the SOS Conference

