

Social Aspects of Death, Dying and Bereavement (DDB) study group Annual Report 2023/2024

1. Established: 1991

2. Current Membership Figure: 143

3. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Income : £85.34

Expenditure: £150.00

Current Balance: £4084.90

4. Aim/s of SG:

The aim of this study group is to provide a simultaneously stimulating and safe space to share ideas related to death, dying and bereavement. It encourages postgraduate students and early career researchers especially to contribute at the annual symposium.

5. Review of Year and Key Activities:

The group continues to grow and support a wide range of academics and practitioners interested in death, dying and bereavement. The principle activity of the study group is the annual symposium held in December each year. In 2023, the theme of the online symposium was 'Death and Sexuality'. The event was attended by 22 people and received positive feedback from delegates and attendees. The professionally edited video of the symposium posted on the [BSA DDB webpage](#) and available on YouTube continues to attract attention and views. Diana and Chao are collaborating with two delegates to write an event review paper about the symposium for the Mortality journal.

6. Concluding Remarks:

The academic study of death and dying continues to grow and DDB plays a significant role in its development. Both Laura Towers and Sharon Mallon stepped down as convenors following the 2022 symposium. The new convenors from January 2023 are Dr Diana Teggi, Dr Chao Fang and Dr Natalie Richardson (who has been on maternity leave since November 2023 and plans to return to work in the autumn of 2024).

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9. SG weblink: <https://www.britsoc.co.uk/groups/study-groups/social-aspects-of-death-dying-and-bereavement-study-group/>