Aston Aston Aston Northampton Birmingham City Derby Newman	Being a community of practice Keeping connected with MSDP and SDF The ability to exchange information as a community of practice is invaluable. Over the years it has probably saved us all time, money, effort, re-inventing wheels, avoiding costly mistakes, gaining consensus, getting recommendations, links to useful info, the list goes on. You will have seen the requests from Nick For the SDF to be GDPR compliant (25 th May 2018) we need YOU to confirm your approval for the SDF to retain your info. Simply click on this link HERE I hope all MSDP members have re-registered. Over time these links can erode. So my endeavour in the coming months will be to make new connections in our region. I will be researching and sending out welcome invitations for colleagues to join both the MSDP and SDF mailing lists.
ALL AT MSDP	A big thank you to Pam for being our MSDP Officer for meetings Pam on behalf of the MSDP I would like to thank you for being our Officer for meetings. Liaising with numerous colleagues to organise our events (over many years), writing up notes and being a sounding board to me and to Roz (when she was chair). It has been greatly appreciated. As small token of appreciation and thanks the MSDP has sent you a Leather journal writing notebook (we understand you like all things pens and paper). We shall of course still hope to see you at some of our future meetings.
M S D P meets L E A N 7 March 2018	 Applying LEAN in an HE context (Cycle of Service) Session delivered by Christine Stewart from www.macresco.co.uk/ Host: University of Cranfield 19 attendees from 13 different HEI (5 unable to attend). 92% rated the session was excellent (69%) or good (23%). 100% rated the facilitators ability to clearly explain lean concepts excellent (85%) or good (15%). Link to collective feedback sheet Note: This is a brief update pending an SDF Newspad article.
Notes from 17 Jan	Key updates from MSDP January meeting Wednesday 17 January 2018: Host Aston University • MSDP Meeting Notes 2018 01 January 17 • LFHE MSDP Membership update Jan 2018 • Staff Development Forum MSDP update 2018 January • National Training Services Framework • Technician Commitment

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SDF Council meeting staff development forum Developing Excellent Practice	 Key snippets from SDF Council meeting (19 March) Pending a new relationship with AdvanceHE linked to charity funding. Managing GDPR implications (and other policy updates). The apprenticeship levy continues to tax the mind (and the purse). Sector metamorphosing SD to OD time to widen out SDF scope.
MSDP 5th July Meeting The University of Nottingham	MSDP July meeting afternoon theme announced Thursday 5th July (not Wed 4th July): Host University of Nottingham Supporting reflection and reflective practice Carol Steed, Leadership and Management Director, University of Nottingham. More details to follow.
Next December meeting	MSDP December meeting afternoon theme announced Wednesday 5th December: Host University of Birmingham Communicating with impact, Dr Paul Gentle a Director at Invisible Grail (and also a Programme Director of the LFHEs top management programmes).
	SDF Conference Bournemouth Thursday 29th – Friday 30th November 2018 Super-Vision and Sea Change sdf.ac.uk/4161/sdf2018-super-vision-and-sea-change The early bird rate for the 2 days (1 night) conference is £370



Please contact me if you are willing to host an MSDP meeting next year.