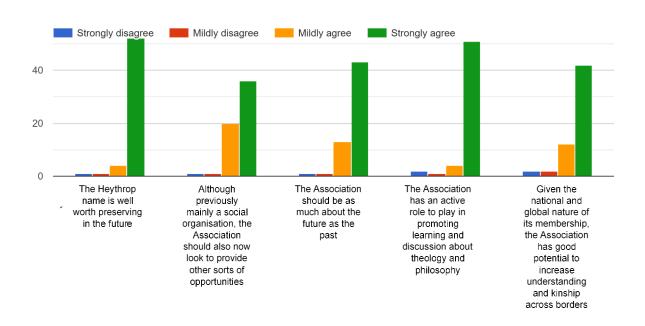
## **HEYTHROP ASSOCIATION – MEMBER SURVEY SPRING 2021**

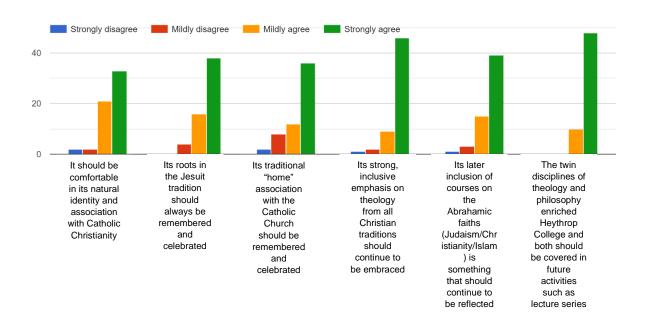
## **Total number of responses 58**

To aid analysis, freeform responses (questions 4, 6, 8 & 9) have been sorted into broad categories, with some responses split into separate items and some lines moved between tables for the best groupings.

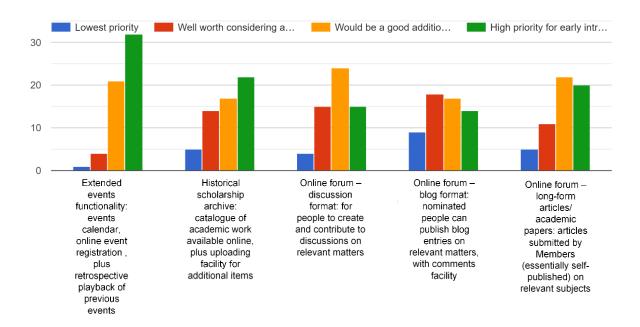


1. To what extent do I as a Member agree with the following statements?

2. Looking back at the profile of Heythrop College, I think the following about the Association:



3. Thinking about future website and online expansion options, as a Member I would rank their likely attractiveness as follows:

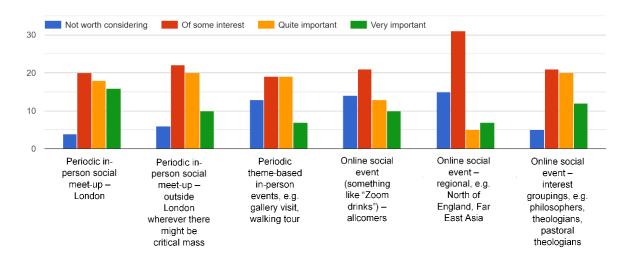


4. Thinking about my answer to Question 3, I would also like to see other features for inclusion in the website:

Response	Broad category
Consider providing a "contacts" page, where members can (if they wish) give up-to-date information about themselves, etc	Contacts/where are they now
where alumni are now, events alumni are involved in	Contacts/where are they now
I think a secure directory (for those who wanted to be part of it) of who and where alumni are so local connections can be made/built.	Contacts/where are they now
Maybe a 'where are they now?' to be able to catch up with those one studied with	Contacts/where are they now
news and photos of alumni	Contacts/where are they now
Embracing tech personal development and the employment market	Employment/tech skills
Links to other websites - eg Aquinas Institute, Margaret Beaufort Institute - and a sort of on-line notice board where members can advertise events / courses / acitivities	Links to organisations of interest
Focus on diversity of alumni and how they introduce valuable learnings from heythrop into their decision making - how it has shaped their ways of working and self. Perhaps focus of blog series/strand theme.	How Heythrop has helped people with their later lives
More about past students actual experience and worldwide concerns as an active contribution in articles and so on	How Heythrop has helped people with their later lives
Videos that can showcase recorded lectures, dialogues, and academic/theological conversations. Often a YouTube plugin and possible channel is all that is required; also, social media capabilities such as sharing functions would be great - preferably Twitter and Facebook but Instagram is also a possibility.	Youtube for recorded material Social media sharing etc.
A closed facebook page for members of the Association to share things more personally and perhaps reconnect with lecturers/other students.	Social media/forums

Response	Broad category
A presence on social media (perhaps a social media officer for the association) this will help reach some younger alum.	Social media/forums
On line forums and meet ups	Social media/forums
Perhaps a shop so we could purchase things to build up funds for the association	Merchandise/shop
perhaps merchandise so members can have something which is a sign of membership as well as a way of contributing something financially to the association (also maybe speak to former staff and students who have books and provide links to where we can buy their work, if not in a HA shop),	Merchandise/shop
Positive identification merchandise eg - tie/badge - profits to assist in administration	Merchandise/shop

5. Recognising the strongly social aspect of Association, as a Member I would judge the following types of social interaction as follows:



6. Thinking about my answer to Question 5, I would like to add the following types of event:

This set of responses is generic between social and educational events

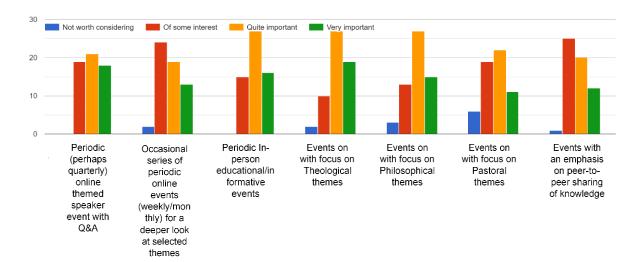
Response	Broad category
On line forums and meet ups	Online/in-person preferences
I am hopeless with zoom etc. Love real meetings. Not on a screen.	Online/in-person preferences
On line forums and meet ups	Online/in-person preferences
Perhaps the, eventual, organising of in person events.	Online/in-person preferences
Again, online as well as in person	Online/in-person preferences
After COVID - opportunity for face to face discussion	Online/in-person preferences
Attending an online lecture would be interesting. Especially for those of us less able to come in person to future events.	Online/in-person preferences
Please don't go completely on line. Otherwise we might as well have robots informing our spiritual lives. People on low incomes have no or limited download. Jesus came for the Poor.	Online/in-person preferences

Response	Broad category
More an observation - online events are particularly valuable for those who, like me, now live overseas. These would reinforce, maintain, continue and and enrich our past experiences.	Online/in-person preferences
In "Far East' could you please consider Australian and New Zealand.	Target participation
Association events should include all members without distinction or division into isolated groups	Target participation
Open up events to non-members and the wider public. Encourage participation of sixth forms and secondary schools and organise events aimed at these groups.	Target participation
(I think in terms of regional events it might be worth having a database with where members are based to see where best to target local events outside of London),	Target participation
Informative high tech permeated is where it is at.	Tone of events
Events to be relevant to today's dynamic and not too introverted	Tone of events

## In respect of social events

Response	Broad category
Social events are always welcome.	General
Perhaps a fundraising dinner at Heythrop Hall or in central London?	Nature of event/theme
A yearly in-person reunion in London, even though I live in the north.	Nature of event/theme
Wine tasting	Nature of event/theme
Alumni events with similar year groups to meet with people who were at heythrop around the same time. Could do groupings lime between year x and x and then another much earlier group to show the dynamics and development of the generation before? Like a mentor mentee angle on it.	Nature of event/theme
Some meet ups for alumni from specific year groups	Nature of event/theme
Maybe some sort of study tour / visit.	Study tour/visit
Seminars, conferences (both online and in person), guided museum talks/tours/workshops	Study tour/visit
Visits to other religious institutions	Study tour/visit
Revisiting some landmarks and Public Houses around Kensington & Chelsea (terrible suggestion I know!!)	Study tour/visit

7. In thinking about educational/informative events the Association might consider, as a Member I would judge these options as follows:



8. Thinking about my answer to Question 7, I would like to add the following types of event:

Response	Broad category
My interests are primarily academic with a smaller amount of social activity. I'd be interested in speakers, conferences, exchange of ideas	General
I still have a lot to learn and share with others better informed	General
Heythrop was a taster. It rewired my mind. I have a lot more to learn.	General
Workshops and seminars	Event format
themed conference	Event format
periodic public lectures, in the style of Gresham College	Event format
Academic events such as conferences, colloquiums,	Event format
Short or accredited online theology and philosophy courses.	Event format
Conferences/symposia on relevant themes either online or later in person	Event format
Continuing education by past lecturers of Heythrop or alumni, if properly qualified, would be welcome.	Event format
Invited speakers - not necessarily in agreement with Heythrop philosophy - to promote debate.	Event format
We could have a series of lectures from former staff called 'The Heythrop Lectures' or 'The Heythrop Conference'.	Event format
At the moment I'm a student brother at [educational establishment], we have a space that could seat about 50 people (post-covid era) I could ask the house chapter if we could host a conference for free to the association as a gesture of good will, or perhaps approach [other educational establishments that] might co-sponsor an event for HA? I think there would be a lot of good will towards us, and could be great excitement when they see the embers are not out.	Event format
At least some events could be joint ventures arranged with and shared with other organisations.	Event format – with other organisations
Get theology and philosophy out of the closet and merge with today's working dynamic	Nature of event/theme
Talk about change and diversity and development and how the thinking sparked by learning Phil and theol can generate new ways of working and innovative thinking as well as a desire to contribute to bettering society or areas of society.	Nature of event/theme

Response	Broad category
Some focus on Inter-faith Dialogue. Also a development of reflections around Contemporary issues on Religious Life	Nature of event/theme
Developments in the area of interfaith	Nature of event/theme
Gathering of those involved in interfaith	Nature of event/theme
A consideration of the challenges posed by secularism	Nature of event/theme
Stress management and how can Christianity positively permeate our high high tech exciting new environment	Nature of event/theme
Stress management	Nature of event/theme
Again sharing good practice for those working in particular areas	Nature of event/theme
The Mass	Event theme – spiritual/liturgy
Occasional church services - ecumenical	Event theme – spiritual/liturgy
Sacred music & prayer times	Event theme – spiritual/liturgy
I still think my idea of an on online pilgrimage with Prof Michael Barnes is worth pursuing	Event theme – spiritual/liturgy
perhaps a pilgrimage or retreat, maybe an event at Heythrop Hall, An annual mass for Heythrop Association members	Event theme – spiritual/liturgy
Must be topical and now	Event tone

9. What other thoughts do I have about how the Association might best serve its Members and the common good?

Response	Broad category
I believe that space for Religious Life is now very reduced, so I will really appreciate that Heythrop College will honour its Jesuit identity by creating	General tone/profile of the Association
a space for contemporary Religious Life.	
Heythrop offered such a unique learning experience - it opened theological studies to the broadest group of people and created a welcoming, friendly environment in which all could thrive, both through individual study and interaction with others. It had a special place for those returning to education or coming at it from diverse angles and for diverse reasons. This, alongside a reputation for academic work at the highest level, was what made Heythrop so special and allowed it to make its distinctive contribution to the theological landscape in this country (and beyond!). It is these aspects which I would like to see preserved and promoted through the activity of the Association.	General tone/profile of the Association
I think there is a tremendous opportunity to build intellectual, social and cultural capital so connecting people to develop projects that could be showcased and be a contribution to recognising Heythrop's impact in the long term.	General tone/profile of the Association
I believe that faithfulness to the identity and character of Heythrop as a specialist College for Theology and Philosophy is very important. I always love the blend of this dimension with the openness to the ecumenical collaboration and secular world.	General tone/profile of the Association
Initially I guess the focus has to be on maintaining and building a sense of identity and community among Heythrop alumni and former staff but I think we should consider opening up what we do / offer to others beyond that pool of people.	General tone/profile of the Association
It might be helpful to be able to support anyone wishing to take further academic qualifications. Perhaps pointing to other appropriate Institutions or even running courses under the Heythrop banner	General tone/profile of the Association
Keeping people in touch with the latest developments in Catholic thought and practice	General tone/profile of the Association

Response	Broad category
Mirror imaging the theme of 'In today and from today's dynamic' and not	General tone/profile of
too retrospective and how to Internalise my Jesus without pontification	the Association
To continue the legacy of Heythrop as much as possible either concretely	General tone/profile of
or virtually.	the Association
To make sense of this, particularly with no institution left i think that you	General tone/profile of
need to add social sciences to the above mix	the Association
I think keeping the name Heythrop is a very good idea - even now people talk about, and remember Heythrop, people who never went their to study saying 'oh isn't it a shame' but we can show Heythrop lives.	General tone/profile of the Association
From memory, Heythrop Alum can also use Senate House library, it might be worth reminding members how they can access the library. If the Association is going to have a longer life than the current living members, eventually the association would have to look at how new members who did not study at Heythrop up to its closure can be admitted formally into the association.	
When I think about the HA, I think of how many theologians and philosophers were friends. Balthasar, Ratzinger, Congar etc. There are so many groups, like this one, that changed the world: the white rose in its opposition to Nazism for example. I think this mix of friendship and academic prowess could see the association becoming very influential indeed. Engagement is key.	
The Association could also lean on its Alumni [] for patronage. It might be worth asking alumni how they can help the association - financially, or with a space for conferences for example. Thank you for your hard work.	
Select & support a national or worldwide charity - Tearfund, CAFOD	Links with
	charities/other
	organisations
Supporting Catholic Charitable causes.	Links with
	charities/other
	organisations
Could alert readers to justice and peace campaigns run by related	Links with
organisations eg Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) . College ran excellent	charities/other
study day in tandem with JRS before closure - similar events v welcome.	organisations