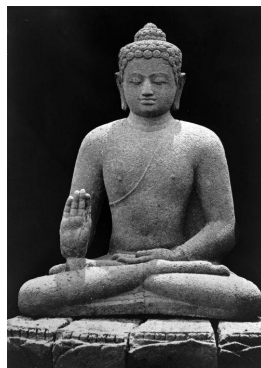
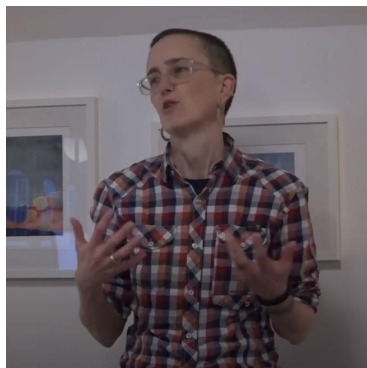


Despite the train strikes, over 50 Chairs, Directors, Reps and Guests made their way for at least part of the week at Adhithana. After checking-in personally in small groups, the theme was launched with a talk from Pasadini (co-Chair of Glasgow): **Chair as Warrior**, with further encouragement towards equanimity and fearlessness through shrine room activities in the evenings where **Amoghasiddhi** featured.



Day 2 gave us three short talks on the theme by **Jayamuni** (Claremont-Ferrand), **Maitridarshin** (Brighton) and **Satyajyoti** (Sheffield), then some time exploring **‘What’s happening in our Sanghas’** to surface issues and ideas emerging from our various Dharma contexts.

The next day was devoted to **racial diversity awareness** with various workshops, a conversation between Maitrisara, Saravantu and guest Eugene Ellis (GFR mitra and author of *The Race Conversation*) and some Q&A with Eugene.

Day 4 involved **Vajrashura** leading a **morning of meditation practice** and then further regaled us with news from **Sikkha Project** in the afternoon. Silabodhi also took us through the **budget** as

well as hearing about **Viryanaga's** pilot project as a **Centre consultant** (helping Centres in many and various ways).

Then a day of varied and engaging updates from: **Munisha** and her safeguarding work; **Nandavajra** and what's new with Future Dharma Fund; Sanghamani and Akashamitra from **The Karuna Trust**; and an exploration of the young people project from **Ksantikara**.

Our final full day also featured updates, this time from: **Windhorse Publications**; some time with **Ratnadharini** and **Mahamati** with news from the College; a little about Adhithana's 10-year anniversary plans from **Khemabandhu**; and finally, after some information on helping Centres get solar panels from Keturaja (**Windhorse Trust**) we enjoyed a multi-media, collaborative presentation from the team that runs the **Buddhist Centre Online**. Phew!



Of course, this summary offers little more than headlines and if you'd like to know more you could ask your local Chair or equivalent. The feedback from the participants was very positive and the meeting was well 'held' by the 'Exec', the trustees of the ECA, who, along with some Development Team members, did so much before, during and after the meeting to help make it such an enjoyable and worthwhile gathering.