# Can you help PCU with finance or web development?

## Help needed

The PCU only exists because of the contributions of many different volunteer helpers, and right now we need people to help with both finance and web development.

## Finance

Our current Treasurer (Mike Shallcross) has decided that he will be stepping down from this role at our next AGM in (probably) May 2023. We know it can take some time to find and train a replacement Treasurer, so we are asking now if anyone would be willing to put their name forward to step into this role from next May.

You don't need to be a finance whizz-kid or have any specific finance qualification. We're just looking for someone who has some experience of financial admin, and is able to spend perhaps an hour a week "shadowing" Mike for the next few months, and then half-a-day or up to a day a week as Treasurer starting from our 2023 AGM.

If you are interested, or if you'd like more information about what's involved before deciding, please feel free to contact Mike Shallcross at [mike@talkthrough.net](mailto:mike@talkthrough.net)

## Web development

Our current website ([https://www.psychotherapyandcounsellingunion.co.uk/](https://www.psychotherapyandcounsellingunion.co.uk/)) has served our needs up to now, but it's increasingly failing to keep up with what we need to support our growth and development as a union.

We have recognised that this can't be fixed by a few minor adjustments, particularly because the current site is built on the Wix platform, which has turned out to be unsuitable for our developing requirements. And so we have decided to undertake a complete redevelopment of our website, using a more suitable platform such as WordPress, and also migrating to a different (shorter!) domain name.

We could pay thousands of pounds to a web design agency to do this work, but if possible we would prefer to do it ourselves, so that we can retain control of development and updating, rather than having to liaise with (and pay) an agency whenever we need something new.

However, this is not a job that should rest on the shoulders of any one individual member of PCU. What we need is a small team of people who can share the decision-making and the development work, so that nobody needs to do more than they are comfortable with.

If you feel you could contribute to this web development team, or if you need more information before deciding, please contact Mike Shallcross at [mike@talkthrough.net](mailto:mike@talkthrough.net)