



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY 18th MAY 2019

Notice of the Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held:

Saturday 18 May 2019, 10:30am,
Eliot Lecture Theatre 2, University of Kent at Canterbury.

Each Affiliated Society is entitled to send one of its members (who must also be a member of this Society) to attend the meeting and vote.

All enquiries about the meeting, please contact:

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Programme

10:00 Arrival, tea and coffee (free of charge) will be available in the lecture hall foyer

10:30 Annual General Meeting

Presentations to follow the formal business

Agenda

- 1) President's Welcome and Introduction
- 2) Minutes Annual General Meeting 19 May 2018
- 3) Incorporation Update
- 4) Appointments and Elections: (see attached information)
 - Election of Members of the Council**
 - Appointment of Officers**
 - Appointment of a Vice President**
- 5) Report by the Treasurer
- 6) Any other Business
 - The Society Website
- 7) Date and Time of Next Meeting
 - Saturday 16 May 2020 Venue TBA
- 8) Refreshment Break
- 9) Presentations:
 - Professor Kerry Brown
 - Dr Steve Willis

Information about the meeting

LOCATION

This year's Annual General Meeting is at the Eliot Lecture Theatre 2 at the University of Kent at Canterbury.

The map below shows the location of Eliot College at the Canterbury Campus.

Once in the college, take the left-hand doors from the atrium, proceed along the corridor to the lobby; the room entrance is directly opposite.

REFRESHMENTS

Coffee and tea will be provided from 10.00am without charge before the Annual General Meeting.



Voting Annual General Meeting 2019

ITEM 4 ON THE AGENDA APPOINTMENTS AND ELECTIONS:

All votes will be taken by a simple show of hands.

MEMBERS VOTE 1: ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

The Members agree that with eight vacancies on Council and with only eight applicants the following are elected to Council: (*denotes an existing Trustee seeking re-election)

- Mr Barrie Beeching*
- Mr Fred Birkbeck
- Mr Peter Burton*
- Mr Mike Clinch*
- Mr Michael Curtis
- Mr Andrew Mayfield*
- Dr Sheila Sweetinburgh*
- Mr Richard Taylor*

MEMBERS VOTE 2: APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

Upon the recommendation of Council, the Members agree that the following Trustees are appointed Officers of the Society for a period of the next three years.

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| • Mr Barrie Beeching | Treasurer |
| • Mrs Shiela Broomfield | Membership |
| • Dr Elizabeth Blanning | Curator |
| • Mr Clive Drew | General Secretary |
| • Mr Terry Lawson | Editor |
| • Ms Ruiha Smalley | Librarian |

MEMBERS VOTE 3: APPOINTMENT OF A VICE PRESIDENT

DR STEVE WILLIS

The General Secretary has been approached by two members of the Society recommending that Dr Steve Willis be appointed a Vice President of the Society.

Dr Willis has been a member of the Society since 2004. He was elected a Trustee of the Charity in 2006. He is Senior Lecturer in Archaeology at the School of Classical and Archaeological Studies at the University of Kent, Canterbury. Many members of the Society have been awarded degrees and PhDs under his supervision.

He is a very active member of the Fieldwork Committee (2004) and a member the Steering Group for the Lees Court Estate Project. He has enabled the Society to use campus facilities,

(including a variety of premises and venues for AGMs, Conferences etc.), which is very advantageous to the Society.

Dr Willis freely gives an enormous amount of time providing high quality assistance and guidance to anyone who seeks his help and assistance. His generous attitude and leadership when giving advice to our archaeological community is exemplary.

Council considers that Dr Willis's ongoing contribution to the Society is very considerable as it is meritorious. Council nominates that Dr Steve Willis become a Vice President. The Members agree to appoint Dr Steve Willis as a Vice President of the Society for a period of three years.

Notes to Agenda Item 4 Appointments and Elections:

ELECTION OF THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

Under the Constitution Council can consist of no more than 22 Trustees and no less than 17 Trustees. Each year one third of Council must retire, the retirees are permitted to seek re-election.

For this AGM, taking into consideration the retiring members of Council, there are eight vacancies on Council.

During the nomination period, 5 January – 15 March, eight applications to seek election to Council were received.

Therefore, with eight vacancies and only eight applicants there will be no formal election this year.

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS:

Members of the Society may seek appointment as an Officer of the Society, if appointed they will hold the post for a period of 3 years. Council makes its recommendation to the Membership.

APPOINTMENT OF A VICE PRESIDENT:

The Constitution allows four Vice Presidents on Council. Currently there are two Vice Presidents.

The appointment of a Vice President is in recognition of considerable and meritorious service to the Society.

Agenda Item 9 Keynote Speeches

TITLE: LITERATURE AND KENT: WHAT THE COUNTY HAS MEANT FOR THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE'

Abstract: Of all the British counties, the impact of figures who have lived, worked and been associated with Kent and made a mark on English language literature (and some European languages) has been profound. From Chaucer, to Shakespeare, to Dickens, and then Austen, Wells and Conrad, Kent has figured in their work, as a place of inspiration, of recuperation (in the case of T S Eliot) or recollection. This talk will look at the physical remnants left on the landscape to this day that memorialise this aspect of the country's history.'

Speaker: Professor Kerry Brown: Professor of Chinese Studies and Director of the Lau China Institute at King's College, London, and Associate Fellow on the Asia Pacific Programme at Chatham House.

TITLE: ENGAGING IN ARCHAEOLOGY: THE SOCIETY'S LEES COURT PROJECT SO FAR - OVERVIEW, UPDATE AND PROSPECT

Abstract: The talk will look back over the two and a half years of the fieldwork to date, noting the nature of the activities and discoveries, and their significance. The wide ranging methods employed will be noted. The presentation outlines the opportunities the Project has provided, and will continue to provide, for Society members and the wider community, for participating, learning and experiencing at various levels through the evolution of the programme. The broader context, purposes and further aims and prospects for the initiative will also be highlighted. The undertaking is a considerable investment by the Society; accordingly the product in terms of benefits and successes is duly featured.

Questions to the speaker and Management Team from the floor will be welcome at the conclusion of the talk.

Speaker: Dr Steve Willis (University of Kent), member of the KAS Committee and the Lees Court Project Management Team