

ROYAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
REPORT OF COUNCIL  
SESSION 2016 – 2017

Officers and Council

- At the Anniversary Meeting on 25 November 2016 the Officers of the Society were re-elected.
- The Officers retiring under By-law XXII were Dr A I P Smith (Honorary Secretary), Professor J C Fox (Honorary Director of Communications) and Professor E Griffin (Literary Director). Council appointed respectively Dr Z Laidlaw, BA, BSc, DPhil, Dr A R Green, BA, MPhil, PhD and Professor R J Toye, MA, MLitt, PhD in their place.
- The Vice-Presidents retiring under By-law XVII were Professor S J Connolly and Professor R A Burns. Professor K C Fincham, MA, PhD was elected in their place.
- The Members of Council retiring under By-law XX were Professor J S Henderson, Professor M Stoye and Professor P Summerfield. Dr M Collins, BA, MA, PhD, Dr A P Roach, BA, MA, DPhil and Professor J F Winters, MA, PhD were elected in their place.
- The President Professor P Mandler retired and the President Elect Professor M C Finn, BS, MA, PhD, took office.
- The Society's administrative staff consists of Dr Sue Carr, Executive Secretary, Mrs Melanie Ransom, Administrative Secretary and Dr Christopher Kissane, Research and Communications Officer.
- Kingston Smith were re-appointed auditors for the year 2016-2017 under By-law XXXIX.
- Brewin Dolphin Securities were re-appointed to manage the Society's investment funds.

Activities of the Society during the year

This has been a challenging year for UK historians in schools, the higher education (HE) sector and in cognate sectors such as archives, libraries, museums and heritage. The cumulative effect of years of austerity on local government has seen closures and reduced services in local museums, archives and libraries in particular. Within HE, the result of the Referendum of 23 June 2016 on EU membership has created both high levels of uncertainty and high levels of stress within a discipline that recruits staff and students internationally and which benefits (through programmes such as the Erasmus scheme, Horizon 2020 and the European Research Council) from millions of pounds of European investment. The increasing links between cultural heritage institutions and the university sector—with many major cultural institutions now enjoying Independent Research Organisation status and thus access to research and training funding previously restricted to universities—has ensured that whatever consequences ensue from the UK's forthcoming departure from Europe will reverberate across research and

postgraduate provision in a wide spectrum of institutions engaged with History. Regardless of one's view of the long-term benefits or losses entailed by the Brexit vote, the short-term consequences have included significant disruption to institutional planning and the medium-term consequences appear likely to see a diversion of government legislative attention from domestic policy. Within England, significant changes in funding for undergraduates in general (and Arts and Humanities students in particular) are now being mooted by all parties. The medium-term impact on higher education for devolution or independence agendas within the UK remains to be seen.

In this fraught context, the Society has continued to advocate for sane, humane and evidence-based policies in engaging with government consultation exercises. The RHS consulted widely within the university sector in framing its response to the Stern Review on the Research Excellence Framework (REF), and submitted a full reply which received a positive response (for example, on Twitter, where we are now followed by c. 15,000 others) from within the discipline. This document can be accessed from the Society's website: <http://royalhistsoc.org/response-stern-review-ref/>. Integral to the RHS's approach to REF (and to the Teaching Excellence Framework, or TEF) is our commitment to equality and diversity, and our concern that such ostensibly 'neutral' exercises have demonstrably instantiated inequalities experienced by women and racial or ethnic minorities in higher education. Building on the success of the Society's 2015 report on gender and equality for historians in UK Universities, the RHS has committed to, and begun actively to plan for, both a revised, updated edition of the Gender Report and a first report on race and ethnicity equality in the UK historical profession. Both reports are planned for publication in autumn 2018, to correspond with the later phases of our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary programme.

On the same deadline as the Society's response to the Stern Report, the RHS was among the relatively small number of scholarly societies that responded to the British Academy's Flagship Skills Project, an exercise designed to showcase the value of skills and learning in Humanities and Social Science. Attention to History teaching in schools and universities continues to remain a focal concern, and the past year has seen productive meetings with, for example, English and Welsh examination boards and colleagues in the Historical Association in an effort to ensure that History continues to flourish at these levels. Our second tranche of Public History Prizes, to be awarded in January 2018, includes student prizes the first time, one for undergraduate and one for postgraduate work. The recruitment challenges faced in August 2017 by several undergraduate History programmes, especially (but by no means exclusively) those in the post-92 portion of the sector, are a matter of real concern, and will be monitored closely in the coming year.

On a happier note, the number of RHS Fellows, Members and Postgraduate Members continues to display a year-on-year increase. Total membership in May 2017 was 4,094, compared to 3,899 in May 2016 and 3,646 in May 2015. Robust membership has, combined with solid performance of the Society's investment portfolio, sustained the RHS's disbursements to support early career research during the past year. In the period July 2016-June 2017, the RHS made 54 awards for conference travel, 52 awards for research expenses, 2 Martin Lynn awards (for research in African History), 38 awards for conference organisation and 9 awards for the Postgraduate Speakers Series. Our support for early career historians was also manifest in award of two Marshall and one Centenary Fellowships, supporting research on topics that ranged from aviation and the twentieth-century Indian state to medieval Cornish identities and early medieval papal privileges. Monographs in the Society's *Studies in History* series have continued to appear, with the 100<sup>th</sup> volume due to be published in the coming year. Our

successor series, *New Historical Perspectives* (an open-access series, to be published in conjunction with the IHR) has now contracted its first three titles, and held its first author-manuscript workshop. Submission of proposals to the *Camden* series have increased, and the peer-reviewed *Transactions* continues to afford an opportunity to bring historical scholarship initially presented at the Society's lectures and symposia to an international audience.

We are however very mindful of the increased demand for RHS funding and the need to secure our investments in an economic environment that is likely to see increased volatility in the next few years. Council is also very conscious of the increased strains placed on our very modest staffing cohort by our current annual income. In this context, the Society plans to use the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as an opportunity to encourage both increased membership and increased philanthropic donations. A generous anonymous donation has allowed us to commission a graphic designer to produce Anniversary publicity materials that will showcase activities such as our second cluster of Public History Prize awards (in January 2018, in conjunction with the Historical Association), a workshop in Wales focused on 'Diverse Histories' and sponsored symposia or lectures in both England and Scotland. A 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary blog will launch in autumn 2017, allowing us to bring the membership into closer contact with the Society's activities and, we hope, to engage more actively with them. This virtual environment will supplement the first-hand perspectives gained on History throughout the UK through our annual visits to university departments. This year saw illuminating visits, each including a substantial conference, to the University of Chester (April 2017) and Queen's University Belfast (September 2017).

We continue to collaborate proactively with a wide range of historical associations, nationally and internationally. Recognising how important it is that the discipline can work together and find a clear voice in today's climate, a 'History Comms Group' of representatives from ten scholarly and professional associations across the discipline is now starting to share ideas and plans and to build collaborative relationships wherever possible. Ongoing collaboration with the IHR (and with History Lab and History Lab Plus) has seen several well-attended workshops for early career historians on publishing and career strategies. The RHS was delighted to be a co-sponsor in August 2017 of an inaugural lecture series at The National Archive (TNA) orchestrated the Friends and staff of TNA. Several distinguished Fellows (and former Council members) of the RHS featured among the series' lecturers.

#### RESEARCH POLICY COMMITTEE, 2016-17

As in previous years, Research Policy Committee has continued to coordinate and advise on the Society's relations with all the main bodies related to research funding and policy. This is a vital part of the Society's work, particularly given the speed at which HE policy changes. In addition to responding to government initiatives, we have continued to form part of a lobby and liaison group with other History subject associations, and those representing the Humanities more generally. Given the wider political context, the more we can strengthen this lobbying position, the better.

Policy areas and calls for evidence: Over the course of the past year, Research Policy has been principally concerned with preparations for REF. These have been clearly informed by our analysis of REF2014 data, which we have made available in one place on the Society's web pages <http://royalhistsoc.org/policy/research/> so as to provide a resource for history departments and research units. In March we then provided a full submission to the REF2020-

21 consultation exercise, which is available at <http://royalhistsoc.org/ref-2021-consultation/>. As preparation for the submission, we canvassed opinion from heads of departments across the UK and so can be confident that our submission represents a broad cross-section of the profession. We also sought the views of Early Career Historians, though this has proved harder to do systematically. REF will continue to dominate the Research Policy agenda for 2017-18 as the final shape of the 2020-21 exercise is still not entirely clear. However, the Stern report has been broadly accepted and the rules around REF are changing. It is thus vital that the Society maintains an active and flexible role, lobbying to ensure that History and other Humanities are properly represented, influencing the final detail of REF2021, and collecting and analysing data. Collaborating with other learned societies and professional associations will be particularly important in this context.

Liaison and collaboration: The RHS has good relationships with other History subject associations, which we are looking to build on. We have taken an active role in meetings of the Learned Societies' Liaison Group, which is convened by the Economic History Society, and provides an important forum for annual meetings with the research councils, ESRC and AHRC. In November 2016, the RHS (MV) chaired this meeting, which included discussion of the AHRC/ESRC joint statement, and an agreement that this be revised. The RHS is also actively involved in the Arts and Humanities Alliance, which held a day workshop on the future of research evaluation in December 2016 (attended by MV and CK). Within of our wider collaboration with the IHR, Research Policy has continued to collaborate with History Lab+, which is represented on the Committee. The Chair is also on their Advisory Board; MV and JW attended this in July. More broadly, Committee and Council members, including the President, took part in events for Early Career Historians, including 'Ask the Experts' at the University of Durham, Life after the PhD', at the IHR (both HistLab+) and an ECR History event organised by the AHRC with a focus on grant capture at the University of Leicester in March 2017.

Among the Committee's on-going work, is the need to revise and update policy documents, which this year has included the Code of Good Practice on employing temporary teaching staff <http://royalhistsoc.org/early-career-historians/>. The position of Early Career Historians a major focus of our submission to the REF2020-21 consultation, as was REF's poor track record in terms of Equality and Diversity. From 2018, this aspect of the Society's work will no longer come directly under the auspices of Research Policy, though it will continue to inform the Committee's work. During the past year, however, we have continued to build on the high profile of our gender equality report, which is now being revised. The success of the original report has led to various invitations to contribute to workshops, e.g 'Challenging Inequality', run by Women in Humanities (University of Oxford) (MV, NM, JF; Oct 2016) <http://5hm1h4aktue2uejbs1hsqt31.wpengine.netdna-cdn.com/wpcontent/uploads/2015/02/RHSGenderEqualityReport-Jan-15.pdf>

Finally, the issue of Open Access has once again become a cause for concern with moves from various universities to adopt UK-SCL. This is a live issue that will require both monitoring and lobbying over the next few months.

## EDUCATION POLICY COMMITTEE, 2016-17

The Education Policy Committee concerns itself with all matters relating to History education from secondary schools through to postgraduates. Its membership consists of a number of

elected councillors and the six officers, very ably supported by four co-opted members who bring a wealth of experience and insights. The quartet is Dr Peter D'Sena (History UK, and the former History Subject lead at HEA); Dr Michael Maddison (in times past Ofsted's National Adviser for History, now representing the Historical Association); Michael Fordham, since May 2017 the Subject Specialist Lead for the Inspiration Trust in Norfolk, an affiliated lecturer at Cambridge and co-editor of *Teaching History*; and, from May 2017, Dr Andrew Foster, a former Vice-President of the Society and Chair of the Committee 2007-9.

This has been a year of transition with the departure in November of Professor Arthur Burns, after four very distinguished years as Chair of the Committee. Some of our activities has been in response to external initiatives. In January the British Academy (BA) launched its Flagship Skills project which aimed to articulate and to celebrate the skills inherent to the study of the arts, humanities and social sciences. The Society was one of few subject associations that answered its call for evidence. We broadly endorsed the Academy's desire to foreground these skills to government, employers and society; drew attention to our work in supporting the developments of skills, and acknowledged the need for more digital training and improved numeracy among future cohorts of history graduates. We also expressed the hope that a better understanding of humanities' skills might encourage a broader demographic to study history at university, something the Society is tackling through its BAME working party. Our response is available on the Society's website, and we await the BA's preliminary report later in the autumn. In July the VP Education also attended the BA's High Level Strategy Group for Quantitative Skills, which discussed ways to address the deficit in quantitative skills in humanities as well as social sciences. We expressed our support for this agenda and another meeting is in the pipeline. Much more pressing, however, is keeping abreast of the rapidly changing landscape of the TEF, which is now a standing item at every Council meeting. At present, the Committee maintains a watching brief, sharing intelligence, digesting the results of TEF 2 which were announced in June, and anticipating the likely consequences for our discipline of revised plans for TEF 3-5. The government is pressing ahead with subject level metrics, including one on contact hours (or 'teaching intensity'), and aims to introduce them in TEF 5 (2019-20), following the Independent Review of 2018-19 required by the Higher Education and Research Act (2017). For both of these, subject associations such as the Society should have the opportunity to make our voice heard in the call for submissions.

We have been pursuing a whole series of our own initiatives, which should come to fruition over the next year or so. The Historical Association (HA) has long been a staunch ally of the Society, and we have agreed to link our two websites in order to share news, resources and activities as well as to promote closer links between history teaching at secondary and tertiary level. We are also considering collaborating over encouraging diversity in the curriculum, addressing the challenges of public engagement, outreach and impact in schools and supporting closer ties between history departments and HA local branches.

Professor Burns is planning a Curriculum conference in March 2018, as part of our anniversary programme, to bring together heads of departments and admissions tutors, secondary school teachers and representatives of the 'A' Level examination boards to take stock of the changes in 'A' Level curriculum, which can inform our thinking about first year history provision at university, to reflect on the new GCSE and the importance of Key Stage Three, and to foster a dialogue between history teachers at secondary and tertiary level. In December we held one of our regular meetings with representatives of the 'A' Level examination boards, to consider the bedding in of the new specifications. One matter of potential concern was the drop in those taking AS History, which has usually acted as a good recruiter for the 'A' Level.

The Committee has also begun to think about designing a teaching resource portal on the Society's website for the benefit of the membership and fellowship. It could contain examples of better or best practice on matters that all history departments address, such as essay and examination feedback, the assessment of seminar performance or presentations, ways in which to embed employability into modules or else devise bespoke courses, and much else besides. All this may help in preparations for the TEF 5 and beyond. We are also reflecting on the impact of the digital revolution on history teaching and learning, and here the varieties of practice, and the changing conditions of the way we work, should interest teachers in the fellowship and membership. Alongside these new projects, the Committee continues to keep a weathered eye on the provision of teacher training and the numbers of MA students. It is keen to sponsor teaching-related events, this year most notably the 'New to Teaching' annual conference, which met in September at the IHR. A report on it will appear in the autumn newsletter.

Finally, it is most welcome news that the Society intends to honour Jinty Nelson by establishing a teaching prize in her honour, a development which sends out the very clear signal of our commitment to seeking out and acknowledging teaching excellence.

#### GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE, 2016-17

The remit of this committee ranges across many activities of the Society. It receives suggestions from Fellows and Council for paper-givers and makes recommendations to Council on the Card of Session, taking into account the need for a balanced programme in terms of chronological and geographical spread. In addition to the regular sessions held at UCL and outside London, it is also responsible for the Prothero Lecture, the Colin Matthew Lecture and the Gerald Aylmer Seminar.

After discussion with the Literary Directors, the General Purposes Committee committed itself in 2016 to deciding the Card of Session for two years ahead. Giving invited speakers more time to prepare, it was thought, would help ensure a high standard of papers for both delivery and subsequent publication.

The programme of lectures and visits for 2017 was confirmed, including a visit to the University of Chester in April and a regional symposium at Queen's University Belfast in September. Proposals for 2018 and 2019 were discussed and speakers invited. A regional symposia at Teesside University was held in September 2016, and members of Council visited the University of Leeds in October 2016. The Committee continues to review the purpose and success of both lectures and visits, and to consider ways of increasing their reach, for example through podcasting, repeat lectures and holding workshops for postgraduate students and early career researchers alongside visits and symposia. The Committee was pleased to receive several proposals for regional symposia, and would like to encourage more departments to make such proposals. The 2017 Gerald Aylmer Seminar was held in April on 'Archives and teaching in Higher Education' and discussions with TNA and the IHR for the 2018 seminar are under way.

The Committee is also responsible for the appointment of assessors for the Society's prizes, and receives their reports and proposals for award winners. It regularly reviews the terms and

conditions of the awards. The Society is extremely grateful to members of Council for their hard work in reading entries and selecting the prize winners.

This year the Committee has also considered broader administrative and developmental issues aimed at raising the Society's profile within the academic community. The Society's online presence has been enhanced by its Twitter feed, as well as improved digital newsletters and routine mailings. Work on the society's IT systems has continued, with a particular focus on improving online applications for membership, grants and prizes, and the implementation of online payment systems.

### Meetings of the Society

At the ordinary meetings of the Society the following papers were read:

Prothero Lecture: 'The making of chronicles and the making of England: the Anglo-Saxon Chronicles after Alfred', Professor Pauline Stafford (6 July 2016)

'The Cleopatras and the Jews', Professor Sarah Pearce (23 September 2016)

At the Anniversary Meeting on 25 November 2016, the President, Professor Peter Mandler delivered his final address on 'Educating the Nation IV: History'.

'Who the hell are ordinary people? Ordinariness as a category of historical analysis', Professor Claire Langhamer (10 February 2017)

'The Rise and Fall of America's Neoliberal Order', Professor Gary Gerstle (5 May 2017)

The Colin Matthew Memorial Lecture for the Public Understanding of History was given on Wednesday 5 October 2016 by Dr Tristram Hunt 'Ten Cities that Built an Empire: Understanding British Imperialism Through the Urban Past'. These lectures continue to be given in memory of the late Professor Colin Matthew, a former Literary Director and Vice-President of the Society.

### Prizes

The Society's annual prizes were awarded as follows:

The Alexander Prize for 2017 attracted seventeen entries and was awarded to Stephanie Mawson for her article 'Convicts or *Conquistadores*? Spanish Soldiers in the Seventeenth-Century Pacific,' *Past and Present*, Vol. 232, No. 1 (2016), 87-125.

*Judges' citation:* This ambitious and important article examines the ragtag army which colonized the Spanish East Indies during the seventeenth century. Its deep archival research reveals ordinary soldiers to have been quite unlike their stereotypical depiction as conquistadores. They were a motley collection of criminals, vagrants and fugitives, many conscripted and mostly from New Spain, who seldom shared the spoils of conquest with their commanding officers. The author at once restores agency to these historical figures and displays its narrow limits. Mutiny and desertion were among the few pathways open to the

conscripted and the mistreated. Such a small, impoverished and volatile force could not be relied upon to achieve Spain's imperial ambitions, resulting in the recruitment of increasing numbers of indigenous troops. The article offers a compelling portrait of the early modern Philippines. Its intertwining of social and military history makes it distinctive among submissions dominated by intellectual history. Its success in '[h]umanising and complicating the face of imperialism' invites historians of empire to take account of the conflicting interests and motives of the colonisers and their correspondingly diverse relationships to the colonised.

The judges named a *proxime accessit*

Felicity Hill for her article 'Magna Carta, canon law and pastoral care: excommunication and the church's publication of the charter', *Historical Research* 89 (2016), 636-50.

The judges' citation read:

This article impressed the judges by offering a fresh perspective on a much studied subject: Magna Carta. The author does this by connecting two aspects of thirteenth-century history that have usually been treated separately: efforts to promulgate the definitive 1225 text of the Charter, and the Church's concern to improve pastoral care. In particular, she argues that the inclusion of a sanction of general excommunication on breakers of Magna Carta and the Forest Charter, especially after this sanction was given written form in 1253, meant that the clergy were obliged to publicize the sentence, together with the charters, so that parishioners would avoid incurring the resulting spiritual penalties. Thus the Church's duty of pastoral care contributed to the dissemination of political awareness. Clearly and cogently argued, firmly grounded in the primary sources, especially canon law, and engaging critically with a wide range of secondary literature in several languages, the article makes an original and significant contribution to scholarship, and the judges warmly recommend that it be selected as *proxime accessit*.

The David Berry Prize for an article on Scottish history for 2017 attracted seven entries and was awarded to Malcolm Petrie for his essay 'Fear of a "Slave State": Individualism, Libertarianism, and the Rise of Scottish Nationalism c.1945-c.1979.'

The judges' citation read:

This is a timely piece on the early attitudes of, and reactions to, the Scottish National Party. In the light of both the campaign for Scottish independence and the United Kingdom's decision to leave the EU it has contemporary relevance. However, more than that it is a profound work of scholarship with real historical significance on a subject that has received little scholarly attention. The author mines a range of archival sources and letters as well as published political memoirs and contemporary newspapers. With great sensitivity he describes how the SNP of the 1960s and 1970s slowly shifted from being a right wing anti-authoritarian party to being the social democratic party it is today, partly through "entryism" by left wing environmental activists who ended by changing the party completely. From being an anti-EU party in the 1970s the SNP came round to its present pro-European stance through the influence of Jim Sillars, the former Labour MP who led the Leave campaign in Scotland in 2016. The article reveals that the SNP, like all major political parties, is not just a coalition of present views, but the product of lingering ghosts of past stances, often longing for resurrection. The author does a wonderful job in providing a clear narrative in a style which both the academic and the lay

reader can appreciate.

The judges named a *proxime accessit*

Alice Glaze for her essay 'Women and Kirk Discipline: Prosecution, Negotiation, and the Limits of Control,' *Journal of Scottish Historical Studies* 36, no. 1 (2016): 125-42.

The judges' citation read:

This is a very accomplished piece, sensitively handled. The Canongate kirk session records are a vivid source which the author exploits to maximum effect. She puts the women of Canongate in both socio-economic and religious context and in a study which deals with charges of adultery, fornication and harlotry, demonstrates both the control the kirk had over women's bodies and the defences and opportunities to manipulate the system that women had at their disposal. One of the author's many virtues is her light touch; letting the evidence speak for itself when she can and allowing readers to form their own interpretation of Scotland's post-reformation Calvinist church. The last paragraph is a model summing up; the reminder that such a window onto the past from such sources is translucent rather than transparent and that even powerful institutions like the kirk relied on some degree of grassroots support. The whole makes a contribution to the study of the relationship between faith based legal systems and wider society which is still relevant today.

The Gladstone Book Prize for a first book on non-British history attracted twenty eight entries.

The Prize for 2017 was awarded to Claire Eldridge for *From Empire to Exile: History and Memory within the pied-noir and harki communities, 1962-2012* (Manchester University Press, 2016)

The judges' citation read:

This remarkable book sheds new light on the Algerian War of Independence (1954-62) by focusing on the 'commemorative afterlives' of the conflict. Of central significance are the tens of thousands of *harkis* (native auxiliaries of the French army) and the million or so *pieds noirs* (French settlers), who relocated to France in the wake of the conflict. In a deeply researched and extremely well written book, Claire Eldridge reconceptualizes the ways in which the Algerian War has been remembered and commemorated in France. Eldridge breaks new ground in her exciting analysis of memory as the 'agency-driven, interactive creation' of multi-vocal, competing representations of the conflict and all that it meant. Dismissing the long held public view that this was a 'forgotten war' Eldridge has written one of the most important studies of the effects of decolonization on the former colonial power. It is a worthy winner of the Royal Historical Society's Gladstone Prize for 2017.

The judges named a *proxime accessit*

Oren Margolis for *The Politics of Culture in Quattrocento Europe: Rene of Anjou in Italy* (Oxford University Press, 2016)

The judges' citation read:

This is a fascinating study of René of Anjou, an exiled ruler without a kingdom. Utilizing network analysis to excellent effect, Margolis has written a sophisticated study of René's development of Italian networks, all designed to help him return to power. Margolis demonstrates how such cultural products as illuminated manuscripts and Latin orations functioned as the means of cultural diplomacy between members of what he terms the 'hyper-literate' elite. Communication is thus seen to transcend the literary objects upon which it is based, allowing a heightened communication with real political intent. This is a sophisticated and subtle study of the politics of Angevin cultural networks.

The Rees Davies Prize for the best dissertation submitted as part of a one- year full-time (or two-year part-time) postgraduate Master's degree in any United Kingdom institution of Higher Education, attracted seven entries.

The Prize for 2017 was awarded to Ashley Atkins (University of St Andrews) for '*The authorship, function, and ideological origins of the Claim of Right of 1989*'

The judges' citation read:

This dissertation rehabilitates the Scottish Claim of Right of 1989. Hitherto, it has been often ignored or else confused with the similarly-titled Claim of Right of 1988, but the author shows just how different the origins and purposes of the two were: that of 1989 drew on a tradition of popular sovereignty beginning with the Declaration of Arbroath of 1320, while that of 1988 arose from the existential crisis of the Scottish left, and focused on the immediate case for a Scottish Constitutional Convention. Both Claims are thoroughly contextualised, and the importance of 1989 comes out very clearly. Its primary authors, it transpires, were the Scottish Churches, which evoked a Reformed Church tradition reaching back to the National Covenant of 1638. Nor is this arcane research: as the author observes, the Claim of 1989 is still 'a living document used by politicians to shape the current political discourse in Scotland'. The argument is thoroughly convincing, superbly demonstrated on the basis of a range of primary and secondary sources, and written with remarkable lucidity, elegance and panache.

The Whitfield Prize for a first book on a subject within a field of British or Irish history attracted twenty seven entries.

The Prize for 2017 was awarded jointly to:

William M. Cavert for *The Smoke of London: Energy and Environment in the Early Modern City* (Cambridge University Press, 2016)

The judges' citation read:

This elegant and engaging book makes a major contribution to reshaping historical narratives of industrialisation. It is beautifully-written, deeply researched and integrates the approaches of economic, social and cultural history to demonstrate the varied impact of smoke pollution in London in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Methodologically sophisticated, it is

eminently readable and never loses sight of the lives of ordinary (and some extraordinary) people. It will act as a model for the study of environmental history, particularly in eras when scientific and hard data are hard to find.

and

Alice Taylor for *The Shape of the State in Medieval Scotland, 1124-1290* (Oxford University Press, 2016)

The judges' citation read:

*The Shape of the State in Medieval Scotland* is a work of great scholarship and insight. Through its penetrating analysis of detailed evidence and complex sources, it builds a picture of the gradual development of the state in early Scotland, drawing upon fresh approaches and evidence to yield a textured and nuanced understanding of the growth of royal government in twelfth- and thirteenth-century Scotland. Situating its analysis in a European perspective, it makes an important contribution to the study of medieval kingship, statecraft and the aristocracy. This is a groundbreaking book which will set the debate for many years to come.

The *History Today* 2016 Prize was awarded to:

Emma Marshall of the University of Durham for her essay 'Women's Domestic Medical Practice: Recipe Writing and Knowledge Networks in 17th Century England'.

An article by the prize-winner presenting her research will appear in *History Today* in 2017.

No *History Scotland*, 2016 prize was awarded at the time of publication of this annual report.

The German History Society, in association with the Society, agrees to award a prize to the winner of an essay competition. The essay, on any aspect of German history, including the history of German-speaking people both within and beyond Europe, was open to any postgraduate registered for a degree in a university in either the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland.

The prize for 2016 was awarded to Duncan Hardy for his essay 'Tage (Courts, Councils and Diets): Political and Judicial Nodal Points in the Holy Roman Empire, c. 1300–1550'.

The Frampton and Beazley Prizes for A-level performances in 2016 were awarded to the following on the basis of nominations from the examining bodies:

#### Frampton Prize

OCR: Pink Squire-Lindsay (Westminster School)

WJEC: Annabel Lyle (Gowerton School, Swansea)

Pearson/Edexcel: Jacob Judah (Lycee Charles de Gaulle)  
Mohammed Ameer Bin Ismail (Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe)  
Mollie Biggadike (Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Horncastle)  
Amber Abrahams (North London Collegiate School)

Beazley Prize

SQA: Oliver Rhodes (Stewart's Melville College)

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE 2016-17

The Publications Committee remains responsible for the ongoing programme: Professor Emma Griffin, and since January 2017, Richard Toye, represents the Society's interests on the *Studies in History* Editorial Board and the newly formed New Historical Perspectives, while Professor Andrew Spicer edits *Transactions*, and they share responsibility for Camden volumes. Professor Stephen Taylor is Academic Editor of the Bibliography of British and Irish History (BBIH).

*Transactions*, Sixth Series, Volume 26 was published during the session, and *Transactions*, Sixth Series, Volume 27 went to press.

In the Camden, Fifth Series *Parliament and Politics in the Age of Asquith and Lloyd George: The Diaries of Cecil Harmsworth, MP, 1909-1922*, eds Andrew Thorpe and Richard Toye (vol. 50), and *British Envoys to the Kaiserreich 1871-1897* eds Markus Mosslang and Helen Whatmore (vol. 51) were published during the session.

*Early Commons Petitions in the English Parliament, c. 1290-1420*, eds W Mark Ormrod, Helen Killick and Phil Bradford (vol. 52) and *Letters of Lord Burghley to Sir Robert Cecil, 1593-8*, ed William Acres (vol. 53) went to press for publication in 2017-18.

The past twelve months have seen a fairly steady flow of good quality proposals, some in an advanced state of preparation. The calendar is currently filled, though the Literary Directors continue to welcome new proposals for texts which relate to any area of British history.

The *Studies in History* Editorial Board continued to meet throughout the year. The following volumes went to press during the session for publication in 2017-18:

- *Queenship at the Renaissance Courts of Britain: Katherine of Aragon and Margaret Tudor, 1503-1533*, Michelle Beer
- *Religion, Time and Memorial Culture in Late Medieval Ripon*, Stephen Werronen

Five further volumes in the Series will be published during 2018 – 2019.

As in previous years, volumes in the *Camden* and *Studies in History* Series were offered to the membership at a favourably discounted price. Many Fellows and Members accepted the offer for volumes published during the year, and the advance order for further volumes to be

published in the year 2016-2017 were encouraging.

During 2017 the Bibliography of British and Irish History (BBIH) continued to develop smoothly, thanks above all to the work of Simon Baker, Sara Charles and the team of academic section editors. Peter salt continues to provide invaluable assistance to the editorial team on a voluntary basis. Over 13,000 records have been added to the database this year. Brepols (our publisher) continues to make minor improvements to the user interface. The major development this year, remains a new input platform. Following repeated delays, Brepols has made a commitment that its technical team will focus their work on the tasks necessary for the input platform to be used by BBIH from October 2017, so we hope that we shall be able to migrate to it in the course of 2018. The Project Board, chaired by Professor Phillip Schofield, and bringing together the academic project team, Brepols and representatives of various user groups, met as usual in July and provided further useful feedback and advice on the development of the Bibliography.

## Finance

### FINANCE COMMITTEE 2016-17

The Finance Committee approves the Society's accounts each financial year and its estimates for the following year. This year, as before, the accounts were professionally audited by Kingston Smith. They are presented on the RHS website together with the Trustees' Annual Report.

The Society's annual expenditure of £349K was broadly in line with estimates. The Society witnessed a small rise of £5k in its income on 2015-16 levels. This rise was largely due to an increase in royalties of £48.5k; in recent years royalties have varied year on year, and it should be noted that although the vagaries of the market for the on-line digitized back catalogue mean that Cambridge University Press are unable to forecast income accurately, nevertheless the Society's income from royalties is forecast to decline in the longer term owing to the finite size of the market. This increase in income from royalties was offset by two main factors. First, by a reduction of £27k in income from donations; this fall was predicted in last year's report and is due mainly to the receipt of a one-off donation of £25k in 2015-16. Second, by a reduction of £10k in income from membership subscriptions; this fall occurred despite an increase in the total size of the membership, and is due mainly to an increase in the number of those paying reduced-rate subscriptions (i.e. for postgraduate membership, membership and retired Fellowships) as a proportion of the total membership. The Society's surplus also arises from a decline in annual expenditure on 2015-16 levels. In particular, there was an underspend of £20k on research support grants due to a decline in the quality of applications received compared to previous years, and a reduction of £23K in the cost of membership services, due in large part to the reduction in expenditure on the development of IT systems to support applications and payments for membership and research support as the project reaches the end of its first phase.

The Society has run a surplus for a number of previous years (with the exception of a small deficit in 2015-16), which has allowed it to build up a cash reserve. Finance Committee recognises that the coming years will be much more challenging financially than most recent years, particularly as the windfall income from the digitisation component of the publishing agreement with Cambridge University Press is forecast to decline, whilst the outlook for

investments, upon which the Society relies for almost a quarter of its income, is uncertain. In addition in pursuit of the introduction of substantial changes to the Society's electronic back office functions to support applications and payments for membership and research support the Society has incurred continued expenditure, and this expenditure, albeit at a lower level, is forecast to continue for the foreseeable future to meet requirements for both of maintenance and further development. The Society anticipates continuing to hold substantial reserves in the expectation that they will be drawn down in future years to cover a series of planned in-year deficits. The Society notes the need to put higher levels of fund-raising on a more sustainable level in the medium term in order to ensure support for its activities in the future. The Society will be using its 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2018 to publicise its activities and launch a new campaign to increase membership and donations. .

The value of the Society's investments rose to £3.22 million in June 2017, an increase from the previous year's figure of £2.88 million. The Society, as in previous years, drew £78,000 from the portfolio to support its activities. The Society's portfolio is invested for the long-term and members of Finance Committee are confident that the current spread of investments is appropriate. Finance Committee maintained the Investment Policy approved in 2013-4. This policy continues to emphasize the important role played by income from the investment portfolio in supporting the Society's activities, and notes that it is managed with the objective of preserving (and ideally enhancing) its real value over time. Such a strategy ensures a balance between the needs of current and future beneficiaries. The Policy will be reviewed in 2017-18.

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Over the year ending on 30 June 2017, 117 Fellows and 251 Members were elected, and the total membership of the Society on that date was 4,152 (including 2,229 Fellows, 677 Retired Fellows, 132 Emeritus Fellows, 80 Corresponding and Honorary Fellows, 13 Honorary Vice Presidents, 34 Associates and 987 Members). From February 2017 the Membership Committee received breakdowns by gender of applications for the Fellowship, Membership and Postgraduate Membership; figures for the year ending 30 June 2018 will be provided in the next annual report.

In the New year's Honours List, the following honours were given:

Mr Anthony Beevor (Fellow) was made Knight Bachelor for services to Armed Forces Professional Development

Dr Elizabeth Hallam-Smith (Fellow) was made a Companion of the Order of the Bath for services to Parliament and National Heritage.

Council was advised of and recorded with regret the deaths of 5 Fellows, 5 Emeritus Fellows, 10 Retired Fellows, 1 Corresponding Fellow, 1 Life member and 1 Member.

Professor J Armstrong	Fellow
Mr P M Bell	Retired Fellow
Professor J Campbell	Retired Fellow
Mr W J Campbell-Kease	Emeritus Fellow
Mr A R H Copley	Retired Fellow
Professor R M Haines	Retired Fellow
Professor D M Loades	Fellow
Mr J D Milner	Member
Ms E Myatt-Price	Emeritus Fellow
Professor K E Neilson	Fellow
Professor Dr O G Oexle	Corresponding Fellow
Professor P L Payne	Retired Fellow
Professor R W Pfaff	Emeritus Fellow
Professor J S C Riley-Smith	Fellow
Mrs J M Scammell	Retired Fellow
Reverend Dr L Smith	Retired Fellow
Mrs E M Sparrow	Retired Fellow
Professor W A Speck	Emeritus Fellow
Dr F B Stitt	Retired Fellow
Dr J W Stoye	Life Fellow
Dr C G C Tite	Retired Fellow
Dr E M Veale	Emeritus Fellow
Mr G Waterfield	Fellow

Grants

## RESEARCH SUPPORT COMMITTEE 2016-17

For the academic year 2016-17, the Royal Historical Society Centenary Fellowship was awarded to Samuel Drake (Royal Holloway, University of London) for research on “Cornwall and the Kingdom: Connectivity, Cohesion and Integration, c. 1300-c.1420”. The Society’s P J Marshall Fellowship was awarded jointly to Ahmed Iqbal (Oxford) for research on “Sovereign Skies: Aviation and the Indian State 1939-53”, and Benjamin Savill (Oxford) for research on “Papal Privileges in Early Medieval England, c.680-1073”

### Travel to Conferences

- Amenah Abdulkarim (Queen Mary, University of London), Third Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies, Chicago, 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> June 2016.
- Ayse Akcasu (SOAS, University of London), Mediterranean Studies Association, 19th International Congress, Palermo, 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> May 2016. \*\*
- Julia Bohlmann (University of Glasgow), History of Movie-Going, Exhibition and Reception (HoMER-Network) Conference, Potsdam, 27<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> July 2016. \*\*
- Mads Bomholt Nielsen (King's College London), Resistance & Empire: New Approaches and Comparison, Lisbon, 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> June 2016. \*\*
- Emily Bridger (University of Exeter), North Eastern Workshop on Southern Africa, Burlington, Vermont, 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> April 2016.
- Anna Brinkman (King's College London), Crossing Borders, Crossing Boundaries: Society for Military History 2016 Annual Meeting, Ottawa, 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> April 2016. \*
- Owen Brittan (University of Cambridge), 45th Annual Conference of the British Society of Eighteenth-Century Studies, Oxford, 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> January 2016.
- Jennifer Brosnan (University of Leicester), Medicine in its Place: Situating Medicine in Historical Contexts, Canterbury, 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> July 2016. \*
- Alexandre Campsie (University of Cambridge), Futures of Intellectual History, New York, 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> October 2015.
- John Clark (University of Oxford), Unknown Fronts. The Eastern Turn in First World War History, Groningen, 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- Clare Copley (University of Manchester), Discontinuities in Berlin: Temporalities, policies, urbanity, Arras, 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> October 2015.
- Mary Cox (University of Oxford), European Social Science History Conference, Valencia, 30<sup>th</sup> March – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2016.
- Kirsty Day (University of Leeds), 'Franciscan Women: Medieval & Beyond' Women and the Franciscan Tradition Conference, New York, 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> July 2016.
- James Doherty (Lancaster University), Crusading Masculinities, Zurich, 30<sup>th</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016.
- Jessica Douthwaite (University of Strathclyde), European Social Sciences and History Conference, Valencia, 30<sup>th</sup> March – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2016.
- Kenneth Duggan (King's College London), Law and Governance in Pre-Modern Britain, London, Ontario, 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

- Kenneth Duggan (King's College London), Living with the Law: Society and Legal Disputes c. 1200–1700, St Andrews, 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> June 2016.
- Heidi Egginton (University of Cambridge), North American Conference on British Studies Annual Meeting 2015, Arkansas, 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- Susannah Gibson (University of Cambridge), History of Science Society – Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> November 2015.
- Anna Gielas (University of St Andrews), 7th International Conference of the European Society for the History of Science, Prague, 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> September 2016.
- Philippa Houghton (Durham University), British International History Group 27th Annual Conference, Canterbury, 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> September 2015.
- Kieran Heinemann (University of Cambridge), North American Conference on British Studies (NACBS), Little Rock, Arkansas, 13<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- Philippa Hellowell (King's College London), Scientiae: Disciplines of Knowing in the Early Modern World, Oxford, 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> July 2016.
- Kerrie Holloway (Queen Mary, University of London), Voluntary Action History Society 25th Anniversary Conference: Thinking about the Past, Thinking about the Future, Liverpool, 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> July 2016.
- Michelle Hufschmid (University of Oxford), Crusading Masculinities, Zurich, 30<sup>th</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016. \*
- Haruki Inagaki (Kings College London), Anglo-Japanese Conference of Historians 2015, Osaka, 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> August 2015.
- Courtney Konshuh (University of Winchester), Kalamazoo International Conference on Medieval Studies: 'Comparing Bilingualism in the Anglo-Saxon and Frankish Worlds', Kalamazoo, 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> May 2016.
- Nicola Kozicharow (University of Cambridge), Russian Émigré Culture: Transcending the Borders of Countries, Languages, and Disciplines, Saarbrücken, 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- Alexandra Lee (University College London), New College Conference on Medieval & Renaissance Studies, Sarasota, 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> March 2016.
- Edward Legon (University College London), North American Conference on British Studies, Arkansas, 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- Saskia Limbach (University of St Andrews), The 62nd Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts, 31<sup>st</sup> March – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2016.
- Gerald Mako (University of Cambridge), 16th Annual Meeting of the Central Eurasian Studies Society, Washington DC, 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> October 2015.
- Anthony Mansfield (Keele University), Conquest 1016, 1066, Oxford, 21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> July 2016.
- Sarah Marriott (Durham University), Swiss Congress of Historical Sciences 2016, Lausanne, 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> June 2016.
- Vittorio Mattioli (University of St Andrews), SASS 2016, New Orleans, 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> April 2016. \*
- Hanna Mazheika (University of Aberdeen), The 62nd Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts, 31<sup>st</sup> March – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2016.

- Meighen McCrae (King's College London), Canadian Historical Association, Calgary, 30<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016. \*\*
- Timothy Moore (Cardiff University), Historical Perspectives seminar series: Education and the First World War, Glasgow, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2016.
- Joe Mulhall (Royal Holloway, University of London), 12th International Holocaust Studies Conference: Global Perspectives on the Holocaust, Tennessee, 20<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> October 2015.
- Hannah-Rose Murray (University of Nottingham), The (Re) Production of Misery and Ways of Resistance, American Studies Association, Toronto, 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> October 2015.
- Maria Newbery (University of Southampton), 7th IMEHA International Congress of Maritime History, Perth, Australia, 27<sup>th</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016.
- Rudolph Ng (University of Cambridge), 9th Annual Conference of the International Society for the Study of Chinese Overseas, Vancouver, 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> July 2016. \*\*
- Idir Ouahes (University of Exeter), 2016 Annual Meeting of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, San Diego, 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> June 2016. \*\*
- Olena Palko (University of East Anglia), Canadian Association of Slavists Annual Conference, Calgary, 28<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2016. \*\*
- Brooke Palmieri (University College London), The Politics of Paper in the Early Modern World, Groningen, 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> June 2016.
- Simon Parsons (Royal Holloway, University of London), Crusading Masculinities, Zurich, 30<sup>th</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016.
- Joanna Phillips (University of Leeds), Crusading Masculinities, Zurich, 30<sup>th</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016.
- Michael Reeve (University of Hull), The First World War at Sea, 1914-19, Greenwich, 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> June 2016.
- Bridget Riley (University of Reading), International Congress on Medieval Studies, Kalamazoo, 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> May 2016.
- Morgan Ring (University of Cambridge), Sixteenth Century Society and Conference, Vancouver, 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> October 2015.
- Rose Roberto (University of Reading), Illustrating History / Illustrer l'histoire, Valenciennes, 4<sup>th</sup> December 2015.
- Julie Russell (University of Exeter), Taking the Past into the Future, St Andrews, 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> August 2015.
- Yann Ryan (Queen Mary, University of London), Shared Histories: Media Connections Between Britain and Ireland, Dublin, 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> July 2016.
- Iida Saarinen (University of Edinburgh), Conference of the Social Science History Association (40th Annual Meeting of the SSHA): 'Pluralism and Community: Social Science History Perspectives', Baltimore, 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- Greg Salazar (University of Cambridge), North American Conference on British Studies, Arkansas, 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- Mindaugas Sapoka (Institute of Historical Research), The 62nd Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, Boston, MA, 31<sup>st</sup> March – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2016.
- Abhijit Sarkar (University of Oxford), European Social Science History Conference, Valencia, 30<sup>th</sup> March – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2016.

- Cornelis Schilt (University of Oxford), Three Societies Meeting 2016, Edmonton, 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> June 2016. \*
- Timo Schrader (University of Nottingham), Global Migrations: Empires, Nations, and Neighbors (American Historical Association), Atlanta, 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> January 2016.
- Finn Schulze-Feldmann (The Warburg Institute), Annual Conference of the Sixteenth Century Society, Bruges, 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> August 2016.
- Beth Spacey (University of Birmingham), Crusading Masculinities, Zurich, 30<sup>th</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016.
- Kelly Spring (University of Manchester), IEHCA - Second International Conference on Food History and Cultures, Tours, 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> May 2016. \*
- Lin Sun (University of Oxford), The annual conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Seattle, 31<sup>st</sup> March – 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2016.
- Loughlin Sweeney (University of Cambridge), World Economic History Congress, Kyoto, 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> August 2015.
- Hui Tang (University of Warwick), 2015 International Conference on Ming-Qing Studies, Academia Sinica, Taipei, 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> December 2015.
- Louisa Taylor (University College London), Conquest: 1016, 1066, Oxford, 21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> July 2016. \*
- Zoe Thomas (Royal Holloway, University of London), North American Conference for British Studies Annual Meeting, Arkansas, 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- Steven Watts (University of St Andrews), International Medieval Congress, Leeds, 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> July 2015.
- Steven Watts (University of St Andrews), International Medieval Congress, Leeds, 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> July 2016.
- Sarah White (University of St Andrews), International Congress of Medieval Canon Law, Paris, 17<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> July 2016.
- Lauren Working (Durham University), Renaissance Society of America Annual Conference, Boston, Massachusetts, 31<sup>st</sup> March – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2016.
- Ryosuke Yokoe (University of Sheffield), The Three Societies Meeting, Edmonton, 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> June 2016. \*\*

#### Research Expenses within the UK

- Bryce Abraham (University of Newcastle, Australia), Archives in London, January – February 2016. \*\*
- Desmond Atkinson (University of Exeter), Archives in Oxford, February 2016. \*
- Megan Barford (University of Cambridge), Archives in Taunton, December 2015.
- Ved Baruah (Cardiff University), Archives in Aberystwyth, July 2015.
- Alice Blackwood (University of Oxford), Archives in Taunton, Kew, Westminster and Exeter, September – October 2015.
- Hannah Charnock (University of Exeter), Archives in London, March 2016.
- Marc Collinson (Bangor University), Archives in Oxford, June 2016. \*

- Adam Dighton (University of Salford), Archives in Edinburgh, February 2016.
- Oliver Finnegan (University of Cambridge), Archives in Edinburgh, July – August 2016.
- Louise Heren (University of St Andrews), Archives in Edinburgh, 2016 – 2017.
- David Hope (Northumbria University), Archives in London, Surrey and Oxfordshire, March 2016.
- Jessica Hope (University of Cambridge), Archives in Birmingham, Richmond, Brighton, Reading and Newcastle, February 2016.
- Alexandra Hughes-Johnson (Royal Holloway, University of London), Archives in Leeds and Gloucester, January – February 2016.
- Tor Jansson (University of Cambridge), Archives in London, October 2015 – August 2016.
- Myungsu Kang (University of Oxford), Archives in Winchester, March 2017. \*
- Harriet Lyon (University of Cambridge), Archives in Northumberland, Durham, Exeter and Canterbury, May – June 2016.
- Andrew Mackley (University of Oxford), Archives in Aberdeen and Edinburgh, July 2015.
- Nicola Martin (University of Stirling), Archives in London, March 2016.
- Amy Miller (University College London), Archives in Kent and Sussex, February – March 2016. \*
- Timothy Moore (Cardiff University), Archives in London, July 2015.
- Robert Newman (University of Kent), Archives in London, November 2015 – January 2016.
- Piotr Potocki (University of St Andrews), Archives in Glasgow, January 2016.
- Matthew Raven (University of Hull), Archives in London, September 2015.
- Iain Riddell (University of Leicester), Archives and digital reproductions in Aberdeen and Edinburgh, November 2015 – May 2016
- Thomas Rodger (Durham University), Archives in London, January 2016.
- Margaret Scull (King's College London), Archives and interviews in Armagh, October 2015. \*
- Dan Spencer (University of Southampton), Archives in Plymouth, 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> October 2015
- Rebecca Springer (University of Oxford), Archives in Wigston, Lincoln and Northampton, July – August 2016. \*
- Rian Sutton (University of Edinburgh), Archives in London, December 2015.
- Rosanne Waine (Bath Spa University), Archives and site visits in Edinburgh and Fort William, April 2016.
- Sarah White (University of St Andrews), Archives in Canterbury, December 2015.
- Sam Wilson (University of Huddersfield), Archives and site visits in Edinburgh, May 2016.

Research Expenses outside the UK

- Prerna Agarwal (King's College London), Archives in India, July 2015.
- Charles Beacroft (University of East Anglia), Archives in Russia, April – July 2016.
- Alison Bennett (University College London), Archives and site visits in Kenya, April 2016.
- Alys Beverton (University College London), Archives in New York, March – April 2016.
- Thomas Bottelier (King's College London), Archives in the US, June – July 2016. \*\*
- Anna Brinkman (King's College London), Archives in Spain, September – October 2015.
- Anna Bruzzone (University of Warwick), Archives and interviews in Kenya, January – April 2016.
- Dean Clay (Liverpool John Moores University), Archives in the US, May 2016.
- Juliana Cordeiro de Farias Bosslet (SOAS), Archives and interviews in Angola, January 2016.
- Thomas Cunningham (University of Edinburgh), Archives and interviews in Kenya, January – April 2016.
- Jane Dinwoodie (University of Oxford), Archives in the US, February – March 2016.
- Katharine Fellows (University of Oxford), Archives and site visits in the Vatican City, October 2015 – May 2016. \*
- Katharine Fellows (University of Oxford), Archives in the Vatican City, April – June 2016. \*
- Sarah Gandee (University of Leeds), Archives and interviews in India, January – May 2016.
- Anna Gielas (University of St Andrews), Archives and digital reproductions in Germany, January 2016.
- Giacomo Giudici (Birkbeck, University of London), Archives in Italy, October 2015.
- Mary Hardy (University of Aberdeen), Archives in Spain, April 2016.
- Jean-Michel Johnston (University of Oxford), Archives in Germany, July 2016.
- Alexandra Jordan (Durham University), Digital reproductions of manuscripts held in the Vatican City and France. \*
- Reiko Kanazawa (University of Exeter), Archives and interviews in India, February 2016.
- Rosie Knight (University of Reading), Archives in the US, June – July 2016.
- Zuzanna Krzemien (University College London), Archives in Israel, March 2016.
- Hanna Mazheika (University of Aberdeen), Archives in Lithuania, October 2015.
- James Morris (University of St Andrews), Archives, interviews and site visits in Japan, June 2016. \*
- Greta Seibel (London School of Economics), Archives in Indonesia, September 2015.
- Marios Siammas (King's College London), Archives and interviews in Cyprus, October 2015.
- Harriet Smart (University of Sheffield), Archives in Mexico, April 2016.
- Callie Wilkinson (University of Cambridge), Archives in the Republic of Ireland and the United Kingdom, July – August 2015.
- David Wilson (University of Strathclyde), Archives in Spain, February 2016.

- Anna Wu (Royal College of Art), Archives and site visits in the US, March 2016.
- Tatyana Zhukova (University of Nottingham), Archives in Russia, September 2015.

### Conference Organisation

- Meg Boulton, 'Prefiguring' the Medieval World, University of York, King's Manor, 28<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May 2016.
- Stephanie Britton, Treasure in heaven, treasures on Earth: the secular world and material consumption in Western European monasticism c.1050 - c. 1250, Durham University, 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2016.
- David Brydan, Crossing borders: The Spanish Civil War and Transnational Mobilisation, Birkbeck College, 30<sup>th</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016.
- Sarah Campbell, Women and Labour Activism in a Transnational Context, Newcastle University, 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> April 2016.
- Hannah Charnock, 'Let's Talk About Sex': History of Sexuality PGR/ECR Workshop, University of Exeter (Streatham Campus), 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2016.
- Martin Christ, Sharing Space in the Early Modern World (1450-1750), University of Oxford, 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> June 2016.
- Jordan Claridge, Sowing the Seeds V: Measuring the Medieval Economy, University of Cambridge, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016.
- Rebecca Darley, Global Byzantium: 50th Spring Symposium of Byzantine Studies, University of Birmingham, 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> March 2017.
- Lindsey Dodd, Vichy and the Everyday, University of Warwick, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016.
- Oliver Fearon, At Close Quarters: Reconsidering the Materials of the Domestic c.1400-1600, University of York, 13<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> January 2017.
- John Gallagher, Teaching & Learning in Early Modern England: Skills & Knowledge in Practice, Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016.
- Nicole Harding, Perspectives on the Past - History, Heritage and Identity, University of Huddersfield, 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016.
- Daniel Harland, Interrogating the 'Germanic': A Category and its Use in Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages, York, 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> May 2016.
- Jennifer Hillman, Pilgrimage, Shrines and Healing in Late Medieval and Early Modern Europe, University of Chester, 24<sup>th</sup> June 2016.
- Louise Jackson, British Crime Historians Symposium 5, University of Edinburgh, 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> October 2016.
- Christopher Knowles, The Allied Occupation of Germany Revisited, German Historical Institute London, 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016.
- Felicity Loughlin, Antiquity and the History of Ideas in Eighteenth-Century Europe, University of Edinburgh, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2016.
- Simone Maghenzani, Converting Europe: Protestant Missions, Propaganda, and Literature from the British Isles (17th-19th Century), Girton College, Cambridge, 30<sup>th</sup> September – 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016.

- Nicola Miller, Classical Traditions in Latin American History, Warburg Institute, London, 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> May 2016.
- Chris Moffat, The Past for Pakistan: History and the Republic, Queen Mary, University of London, 27<sup>th</sup> May 2016.
- Frances Murray, Gender and Transgression in the Middle Ages, University of St Andrews, 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> April 2016.
- Natasha Neary, Winning minds and hearts: constructing national identity in US history, Northumbria University, 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016.
- Duncan Needham, State, economy and society: a conference to celebrate the career of Martin Daunton, Churchill College, Cambridge, 29<sup>th</sup> March 2016.
- Lucy Nicholas, Quincentenary of Roger Ascham (1516-1568), St John's College, Cambridge, 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> September 2016.
- Simon Parsons, The Crusades in France and Occitania: Roots, Impact, and Cultural Signification of the Crusading Movement, Institute of Historical Research, London, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2016.
- Jonas Pollex, Utopia: History, Theory and the Future 1516-2016, Oxford, 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> May 2016.
- Katherine Roscoe, Conceptualising Islands in History, University of Leicester, 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016.
- Margaret Scull, Rethinking the 1981 Maze-Long Kesh Hunger Strike: 35 years on, London, 27<sup>th</sup> June 2016.
- Daniel Smith, “Life of the Muses’ day, their morning star!” The Cultural Influence of Lucy Harington Russell, Countess of Bedford – Featuring a performance of Ben Jonson’s Masque of Queens, Lincoln College, Oxford, 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> August 2016.
- Brodie Waddell, Addressing Authority: Petitions and Supplications in Early Modern Europe, Birkbeck, University of London, 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016.
- Sarah Ward, Writing the History of Britain and Ireland: The Use, Writing, and Reception of History, 1500-1700, Institute of Historical Research, London, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016.
- David Wilson, International Postgraduate Port and Maritime History Conference, University of Strathclyde, 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

### Martin Lynn Scholarship

- Lucy Taylor (University of Leeds), Archives in Uganda, September – December 2015.

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