SOCIETY FOR NAME STUDIES IN BRITAIN AND IRELAND

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TWENTY SIXTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

First Circular - September 2015

Our next Spring conference will be held at

Maynooth University, Maynooth, Co. Kildare 15th-18th April, 2016

This years conference is being organised by Prof. Ruairí Ó hUiginn of the Department of Modern Irish, Maynooth University, and Dr Aengus Finnegan.

Maynooth University, a part of the National University of Ireland, was formally established as an autonomous university in 1997. The University traces its origins to the foundation of the Royal College of St Patrick in 1795. The conference will take place on the South Campus, which the University shares with St Patrick's College, a seminary. This campus comprises a relatively compact complex of imposing 19th century buildings, and will provide accommodation, dining and lecture facilities for the conference in one location.

Maynooth is conveniently located 16 miles west of Dublin, with a regular train and bus service. The South Campus is just a few minutes walk from the train station. Access from Dublin Airport is relatively straightforward.

Contibutions are welcome on a range of topics, both place- and personal names. If you are interested in giving a paper please email a title or abstract to **confsec@snsbi.org.uk**.

The cost of the conference, which will include full-board accommodation, is not yet finalised, but should come in below £300 for the full package, including registration fee and excursion. Day delegates rates will be offered for about £25 $\not\in$ 30 (dinner charged extra).

To reserve a place please send a £30/€40 (per person) to the treasurer as follows:

Payment by Cheque from the UK

For those paying by Sterling cheque, cheques should be made payable to 'Society for Name Studies in Britain and Ireland' and sent to the treasurer along with your completed registration slip;

Payment by credit card via paypal in Sterling or Euro

Please email the treasurer your details (<u>treasurer@snsbi.org.uk</u>). Please note that there may be a processing charge charge of 3.5% if using a credit card (debit cards and sterling paypal accounts free). The SNSBI will pay any bank processing fees incurred by our Irish members. Please contact the treasurer for details.

Please email your completed registration slip to Aengus Finnegan confsec@snsbi.org.uk.

Payment by Cheque in Euros

Please contact the treasurer for options; treasurer@snsbi.org.uk

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The full cost of the conference will be payable in advance before the event and is non-refundable. It is advised that delegates take out their own travel insurance to cover any cancellation.

If you are a full time student we offer a limited number of bursaries to attend the conference. Please contact the treasurer for details.

Please register by 15th of November. Please also note that the number of en-suite rooms is limited. Priority in allocation will be given to those who book early and a discount on non en-suite rooms will be offered. All accommodation is on a single or twin basis only.

It is intended that the main meeting will be preceded by a postgraduate workshop, also at Maynooth. Details and costs for this event will be separately circulated in due course – at this stage please just let us know if you are interested by ticking the box below.

Name(s):

Email address:

Email address:

I would like further details of the postgraduate conference

I would like to attend as a day delegate

Post to: Julia Stanbridge, 5 St Edwards Drive, Stow on the Wold, Cheltenham GL54

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