Historic Pathways Project

Wellington College

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Crowthorne, Berkshire RG45 7PU

Monday, 19th & Tuesday 20th October 2015

The Event: The final event of the Historic Pathways Project is to be held at Wellington College over two days. This is a residential event, although those living locally may choose to go home for the night. This is another opportunity to enjoy the special atmosphere of a public school, opened by Queen Victoria in 1859. Built in a style known as "Nineteenth Century Baroque" it is a splendid building with excellent conference facilities. There is a full and varied programme of lectures, activities and reports as well as an Exhibition, which promises to show the results of all the research and the resulting walks, which U3A members have achieved in the past three years.

Facilities: Lectures will be held in "Great School", which is a well-equipped and comfortable Seminar room.   The Exhibition will be set up in the V&A, which is a large lounge area perfect for the purpose. We also have exclusive use of a large Common Room next to the Dining Hall where evening activities will take place. You may wish to bring an umbrella, as there is no covered way between the main building and either the car park or residential houses.

Meals: All meals will be in the main Dining Hall and will be self-service. The quality of the food is excellent and there is always a good choice, including vegetarian options. There will be a **Bar** in the evening from 6.00 – 10.00 in the Common Room - normal bar prices will apply.

Accommodation: Both single and twin rooms are available in one or more of the school boarding houses, which will be for our exclusive use. Upstairs rooms are accessible by lift. Most rooms are not en suite but there are plenty of showers and loos on each floor and most rooms have hand basins. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN TOWELS. There are small kitchen facilities in the houses for making hot drinks and also some communal seating areas.   Car parking for residents is available at the house.

The cost: £90 per person for the whole two-day programme. This includes one night dinner, bed and breakfast and a two course lunch on both days plus tea or coffee on arrival and morning coffee and afternoon tea. It also includes participation in the full Programme of events and lectures. There are no hidden extras – except bar bills.

The day rate: £75 per person for the whole two-day programme. This includes all of the above except bed and breakfast. (Dinner is included to allow attendance at the evening activities.)

A deposit of £25 must be sent with your application and full payment must be received by 1st September 2015. Rooms will be allocated on a first-come first- served basis, so if you have special requirements please apply as soon as possible.

Please complete the Application Form and send it with a cheque for a minimum non-refundable deposit of £25 per person to: Mrs Agnes Budagowska, 3 Draycott Close, Park North, Swindon, SN3 2RN   Cheques must be made payable to: U3A Thames Valley Network.

Telephone: 01793 615501 email: agnes-bud@supanet.com

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APPLICATION FORM

I would like to attend the Historic Pathways Project residential event at Wellington College: *(Please complete a separate form for each person using block capitals)*

Name: ……………………………………………………………………………………………

Address: ……………………………………………………………………………………….

....**Post Code:**…………………

Tel. no. ……………………….**E-mail:** …………………………………………………

If you do not wish to receive details of future U3A TVN events by email, please tick here ☐

I certify that I am a member of ……………………………………. **U3A**

Accommodation: Please tick the type of room you would prefer: (Rooms will be allocated on a strictly first-come, first-served basis).

- **Single**   ☐
- **Twin**   ☐ to share with……………………………………………………
- **None**   ☐ I will attend daily

Payment:

☐ I enclose a cheque for £ 25 deposit. Payable by 1st June, 2015 at the latest.
    (Applications will be accepted after this date if space is available)

☐ I understand that the balance of £ 65 / 50 is due on or before 1st September

☐ I enclose a cheque for the full amount of £90 / £75 *delete as appropriate*

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Acknowledgements will be sent by email unless a SAE is enclosed.

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Monday, 19th October

10.30   Registration and coffee. Residents find their rooms.

11.15 Welcome and 'housekeeping'

11.30 **Mark Stevens** Berkshire Archivist   "How it all Began"

12.20   A Report on the Walk Around Hurst

12.45   LUNCH

14.00   "The Diversity of Pathways" **David Stewart** co-author of "Pathways"
          will talk about monks' trods, pilgrim paths, Roman roads, etc. which he has
          researched and walked.

15.00   Reports on some of the walks undertaken and
          An introduction to the Exhibition

15.45   TEA and exhibition tour

16.45   "Drove Roads" by **Bruce Smith**

18.00   The bar opens in the Staff Common Room

19.00   DINNER

20.00   Quiz in the Staff Common Room

Tuesday, 20th October

8.00 - 9.00   BREAKFAST

9.30   Residents vacate bedrooms

10.00   Choice of morning activity:-

   a) Walk through Simon's Wood and the Devil's Highway (route of
       Roman road) led by **Anne Harrison** Wokingham U3A

   b) Talk on the history of Wellington College by **Mark Lovett**
       Wokingham U3A - previously head of history at Wellington. This will be
       followed by an optional tour of the buildings, including the chapel
       and Old Hall.

   c) "Photography of Buildings" workshop, led by **Chris French**   Wokingham U3A.

11.00   COFFEE for those on site.

12.30   LUNCH

13.30 "We did it our way" Ridgeway U3A explain their own researches in
          their area, and describe the walk which followed.

14.00   "Pathways Across Rivers" members of the "Bridges, Fords and Ferries"
          group discuss their findings.

14.30 "The Way Forward"; introduction to the new website and suggestions for
          further research.

15.30   FAREWELL