

**Glamorgan History Society autumn day school**  
**Heronston Hotel, Bridgend**  
**Saturday 19 November 2016**

***‘Glamorgan – from marcher lordship to shire county***

- 10.00 Tea/coffee and bookstalls
- 10.25 Chairman’s welcome (Professor Prys Morgan)
- 10.30 Dr Matthew Stevens (College of Arts & Humanities, Swansea University)  
***Welsh and English in medieval Glamorgan and beyond***  
*The Lordship of Glamorgan was one of the most ancient and diverse Anglo-Norman marcher lordships in Wales. The system which evolved in Glamorgan for governing the Welsh and English communities of the lordship, with distinct ‘Welshries’ and ‘Englishries’, zones of greater and lesser Anglo-Norman control, and towns for well-taxed trading, was a model for the management of other lordships throughout Wales. In this paper I will discuss some of the key aspects of this complex system, together with its strengths and weaknesses. Where most helpful, comparisons will be made between Glamorgan and other lordships in the medieval March of Wales.*
- 11.45 Ms Nia Powell (School of History & Archaeology, Bangor University)  
***The ‘Acts of Union’: Glamorgan and Welsh identity***  
*The legislation passed by Parliament during the 1530s and 1540s, commonly called the ‘Acts of Union’ of 1536 and 1542, have long been interpreted as an agent that led to the assimilation of Wales into England and initiated a decline in the use of the Welsh language. This paper will look at the legislation from a different angle enquiring, contrary to that viewpoint, to what extent the Acts gave Wales a particular identity that supported its continued existence in institutional terms, contributed to the survival of its distinctive language and also defined Glamorgan. Would Glamorgan, Wales or its language exist today were it not for that mid-sixteenth century legislation?*
- 1.00 Lunch and bookstalls
- 2.30 Mr Richard Suggett (Senior Investigator Historic Buildings, RCAHMW)  
***Domestic architecture of Glamorgan and beyond in the 16th century***  
*The talk will provide an overview of the architecture of Glamorgan houses in the 16th century in the context of developments elsewhere in Wales and England. The problems of accurately dating houses will be discussed and the need for a tree-ring dating project will be emphasized.*
- 3.45 Raffle  
*This year we will once again have the customary raffle which Richard Watson has kindly agreed to organise. If you feel able to do so, please bring a suitable prize. Funds raised in this way go towards covering the cost of the event. Thank you very much.*
- 4.15 Tea/coffee and disperse

The attendance fee will be **£20.00 per head** to include a hot buffet lunch  
and tea/coffee and biscuits in the morning and afternoon.

*or*

**£12.00 per head** without lunch.



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### ***How to find Heronston Hotel***

Heronston Hotel is located on Ewenny Road, Bridgend, a short distance off the A48

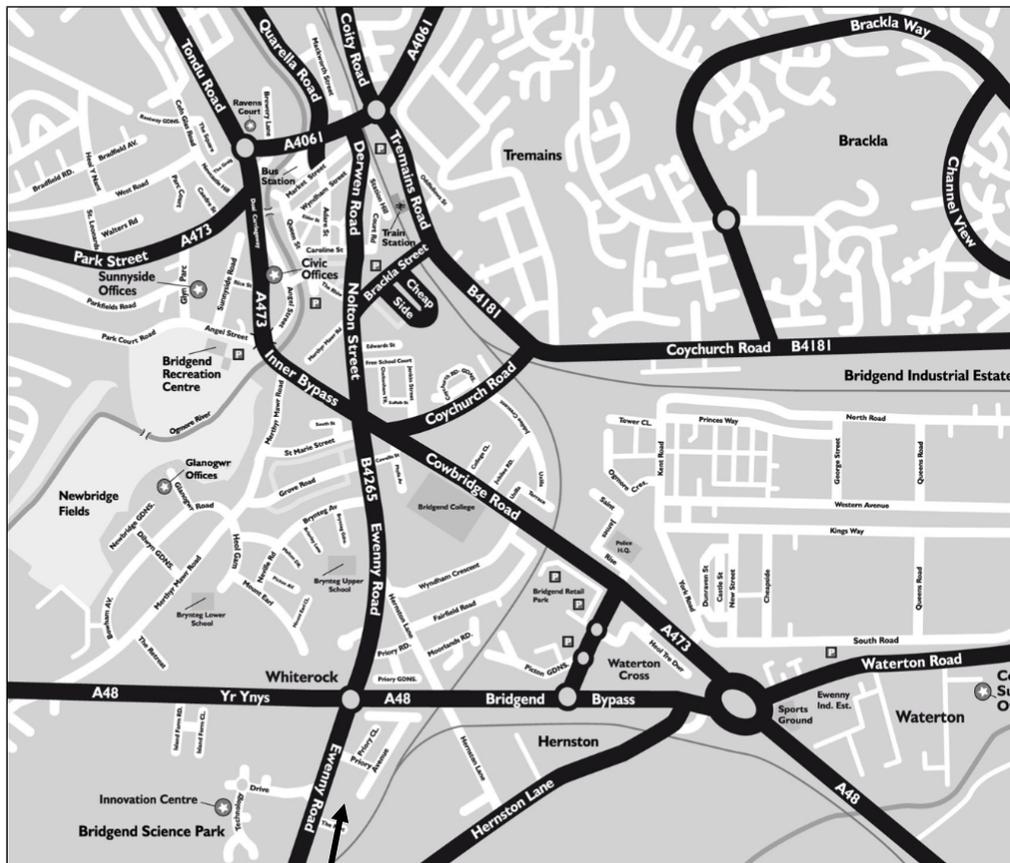
Leave the A48 at its junction with the B4265 (Ewenny Road) and head south in the direction of Ewenny (away from Bridgend town centre)

Follow B4265 for approximately 300 yards

Heronston Hotel is on the left, signposted 'Heronston Hotel' and 'Herons Leisure Club'

For ***Satnav users*** the postcode is CF35 5AW

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