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Inaugural ITS Noel O'Connell London Lecture, 24 June 2006

The Irish Texts Society will shortly commemorate the contribution of Noel O'Connell (1929-1991), its Honorary Treasurer 1962-7 and Honorary Secretary 1967-91, with the inauguration of the ITS Noel O'Connell London Lecture. Noel O'Connell who practised as a consultant civil engineer in London was also active in the Gaelic League and the Irish Literary Society, and was associated with The Irish Club and the Irish Centre, Camden Town. He was also a founder of Threshold Housing, which still exists to provide housing for people with special needs.

The inaugural ITS Noel O'Connell London Lecture will be delivered by Dr Pádraig Riggs of the Department of Modern Irish, University College, Cork, on the subject of 'Eleanor Hull (1860-1935): her role in the Irish Texts Society and the Irish Literary Society.'

This occasion will also include the London launch of CÓIR ANMANN: A MIDDLE IRISH TREATISE ON PERSONAL NAMES Part I (edited by Sharon Arbuthnot) and other recently published ITS publications.

These events will take place at The Quality Hotel, 82-83 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1PS (entrance: Gillingham Street) on Saturday, 24 June 2006 at 3.00 p.m.

The Quality Hotel is on the corner of Gillingham Street and Belgrave Road. It is approximately a five-minute walk from Victoria Railway and Underground Stations. The internet link below leads to a street map of the area.

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