

BAIS

EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS

1992

BALLOT PAPER FOR THE ELECTION OF A CHAIRPERSON, A VICE-CHAIRPERSON, AN HONORARY SECRETARY, AN HONORARY TREASURER AND A CONFERENCE SECRETARY.

Dr George Nelson

INFORMATION ON CANDIDATES

A - CHAIRPERSON

Members should indicate their preferences by marking an x in the appropriate box opposite the name of ONE of the candidates on the list below.

Dr Graham Davis	[]
Mr Seán Hutton	[]

INFORMATION ON CANDIDATES

(Candidates who are members of outgoing Executive are indicated by an asterisk throughout.)

DR GRAHAM DAVIS*: Honorary Treasurer BAIS 1990-92. Author of The Irish in Britain 1815-1914 (1991). Organiser of BAIS 4th Annual Lecture Series on Irish Writers at Bath 1991. Involved in setting up Irish Studies Review, 1991-. Speaker at Irish Studies Workshop, Leicester, and at Irish Studies programme, Newark, 1992. Course Director, BA/BSc Combined Studies programme, Bath College of Higher Education.

MR SEAN HUTTON*: Educated University College, Dublin, and Hull University. Executive Director, BAIS, 1988-1992; co-opted to the Executive of BAIS 1992. An Irish-language poet, awarded Duais Sheáin Uí Ríordáin 1986. Contributor to and co-editor of Ireland's Histories (Routledge 1991). Honorary Secretary of the Irish Texts Society. Frequent speaker at Irish Studies workshops in Britain. Contributor to Lipman Seminar on Ireland; associated with History Workshop since its inception. Since 1989 has organised an annual series of cross-community sixth form conferences in Northern Ireland on behalf of the Association. Wishes to place the experience gained in administering the Association at the disposal of BAIS during a period of restructuring following the loss of its one full-time official.

B - VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Members should indicate their preferences by marking an x in the appropriate box opposite the name of ONE of the candidates on the list below.

Dr Paul Stewart	[]
Dr George Watson	[]

INFORMATION ON CANDIDATES

DR PAUL STEWART: Educated Belfast Royal Academy, Leicester University, Leeds University. Ph D on Ulster Loyalism. Was Senior Lecturer in Sociology at Sunderland University, where he was Director of the Local Studies Unit; now Lecturer at Cardiff Business School, University of Wales. Co-editor of, and contributor to, Ireland's Histories (Routledge 1991), co-author of The Nissan Enigma (Mansell 1992). Has contributed to Soar Valley Irish Studies Conference, Lipman Seminar on Ireland and History Workshop. Believes that BAIS must be a broadly based organisation, representing the diversity of perspectives and interests within it. He supports commitment to developing Irish Studies in community education and schools.

DR GEORGE WATSON*: I have been associated with BAIS from its beginnings. A member of the Executive Committee. I organised the first three series of BAIS lectures, in London, Liverpool and Manchester. A senior lecturer in the Department of English at Aberdeen University, I am the author of Irish Identity and the Literary Revival (1979), Drama: An Introduction (1984), and of numerous articles on Irish literature and culture.

C - HONORARY SECRETARY

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Dr James W McAuley	[]
Mrs Valerie Anne Smith	[]

MR THOMAS (48 years of age) in London (University of Warwick city). Has just submitted to Eirkbeck Col. It relates to the conditions in Ireland 1870-1910 and was supervised by Professor Ray Porter. Research conducted in Ireland and the UK. I have lived and travelled in Australia, Africa, the Far East and the Middle-East. Currently, I am a Senior Lecturer with Ealing Tertiary College, London.

INFORMATION ON CANDIDATES

DR JAMES W MCAULEY*: Senior Lecturer at the University of Huddersfield. Born into the shipyard community of East Belfast. Educated New University of Ulster, Leeds University. Worked on a number of cross-community projects in Northern Ireland. Ph D on Belfast community politics. A contributor to S Hutton and P Stewart (eds) Ireland's Histories. A number of articles on Irish politics and society. Part of the team which set up Irish Studies degree course at St Mary's College, Strawberry Hill. Member of BAIS Executive 1988-90. Honorary Secretary of BAIS since 1990. Local Secretary to the highly successful BAIS Biennial Irish Studies Conference 1991. A member of the sub-committee which prepared the publications strategy resulting in the Irish Studies Review. Has presented documents to BAIS Executive on future direction and regional strategy.

MRS VALERIE ANNE SMITH: Educated Waterloo Park Grammar School, Edge Hill College of Higher Education, University of Liverpool. B A (Honours) Applied Social Science, M A Irish Studies. 1970-81 Store Manageress, Martin Retail Group: responsible for day-to-day running of high turnover retail unit. 1981-84 Director Newsfayre Ltd: responsible for management of large retail outlet. 1984-89 P/T Research, Research International: responsible for the development of a range of Market Research Programmes; interviewing and analysing results. 1989- Senior Lecturer, North-West Training Council: responsible for Design, Development and Delivery of Finance and Management Skills Programmes for both Local Authorities and Industry.

D - HONORARY TREASURER

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Mr Thomas Patrick Dooley []

Mr Jim O'Hara []

INFORMATION ON CANDIDATES

MR THOMAS PATRICK DOOLEY: Born 22 May 1943 (49 years of age) in London of Irish parents (from Waterford city). Have just submitted a Ph D for examination, to Birkbeck College. It relates to political, social and economic conditions in Ireland 1876-1915 and was supervised by Professor Roy Foster. Research conducted in Ireland and the UK. I have lived and travelled in Australia, Africa, the Far-East and the Middle-East. Currently, I am a Senior Lecturer with Ealing Tertiary College, London.

MR JIM O'HARA*: Born Belfast. Educated Queen's University and Queen Mary College, London University. Currently Principal Lecturer at St Mary's College, Strawberry Hill and Director of Irish Studies at the College, which is one of the three institutions in Britain now offering undergraduate degree courses in Irish Studies. One of the founder members of BAIS and its Vice-Chairman since 1986. Has occupied a central role in the development of the Association. Has for some time argued that the Association must adopt a more structured approach to its financial development and fundraising activities. During his twenty-two years in Britain, he has played a major role in the cultural life of the Irish community and has contributed to educational and academic debates on issues relating to Ireland and the Irish community. He has lectured extensively at conferences and to Irish Studies groups throughout the country.

E - CONFERENCE SECRETARY

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Mr Nessian Danaher	[]
Mr Tony Downey	[]

INFORMATION ON CANDIDATES

MR NESSAN DANAHER*: Full-time teacher and voluntary Irish Studies Adult Education Co-ordinator at Soar Valley Community College, Leicester. For ten years I have organised and developed the Irish Studies Workshop at the College. The Workshop runs community education classes in: Irish Studies, Irish language, Set and Ceili Dance and Traditional Music for adults; we also run the highly regarded - and popular - Annual National Conference on Irish Dimensions in British Education. The Workshop has built up a 6,000 item multimedia Irish Studies Resource Centre, open to all bona fide students at all levels and of all ages. We are recognised by City and County Councils, the DFE in London, and by the Irish government. A founder member and Executive Member of BAIS since 1985. Doctoral research student at Irish Studies Research Centre, University of North London.

MR TONY DOWNEY*: I teach at St Philip's 6th Form College in Birmingham. Irish Studies is a very popular and successful subject in the College. We teach both A/S and A Level to large classes.