

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR IRISH STUDIES, LONDON NOVEMBER 1991.

The past year has seen the BAIS in a period of considerable reorganisation and restructuring in an attempt to match contracting financial resources with the continued high profile of the organisation and provision of services to members.

Much of my time as Secretary has been spent in trying to provide an overview and hopefully some practical suggestions as to how such demands may be best met.

Within the above context some of my main roles since election have been:

A review of the terms and conditions of the Executive Director.

In consultation with the Executive Director the drawing up of several policy documents concerning the future direction and organisation of the BAIS.

A contribution to the new 'promotions brochure' for the organisation.

Participation in sub-committee (with Ex.Dir. and B. Purdie) on the design and format of the new BAIS magazine.

In addition to the above I have attended Officers Meetings and acted as local secretary to the 1991 conference.

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