

BAIS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOVEMBER 10 1990

HON SECRETARY'S REPORT

Since the last Annual General Meeting I have arranged and participated in a two day Officer's off site meeting in Oxford to consider the future of the Association, attended a number of meetings for the Association and begun work on the 3rd BAIS Survey of Irish Studies in Britain which should be completed by May 1991.

I have also been involved in attending Officers meetings and Executive Meetings.

I have given a full report on one of these meetings, that with the Niall Gallagher and others of AIB to the Executive, the gist of which is that they will help us to formulate further approaches to further patrons, but that they will not extend our funding after the present arrangement, This means that (as always) our funding needs as an Association are urgent and require attention. We must ensure that the Association enters into no further commitments than those already accepted until the future of our finances becomes clearer.

It only remains for me to thank my colleagues on the Executive for an interesting and instructive period as Hon Secretary of this Association and to say that in continuing as a member of the Executive, I look forward to participating in its activities for a number of years to come.

David Cairns
9/11/90

