



CHURCH AND STATE IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY

The Ecclesiastical Law Society is promoting a public discussion of the nature of establishment and the challenges it may face in the years ahead, both from a constitutional vantage point and in parochial ministry for the national church. A stellar collection of experts has been brought together for a unique conference which will seek to re-imagine the national church and public religion in the increasingly secular world in the current second Elizabethan age and hereafter. Robert Blackburn will deliver a keynote lecture on constitutional issues of monarchy, parliament and the Church of England. Norman Doe and Colin Podmore will assess the centenaries of, respectively, the Enabling Act 1919 and the Church in Wales Act 1914 and the experience of English and Welsh Anglicanism over this period. Sir William Fittall will comment on the practice and politics of establishment, and Dr Malcolm Brown will reflect on grace and pragmatism within a theology of power. Grace Davie and Bishop Graham James will evaluate public and parochial conceptions of an established church in a time of declining attendance. There will be observations from those outside the Anglican church, including Lord Singh and Dr Paul Goodliff. The conference will be of interest to ecclesiastical lawyers and administrators, to students of constitutional law, and to clergy and laity whose daily lives are influenced by the lived reality of a national church witnessing to an increasingly diverse world.

Speakers

Professor Robert Blackburn QC
King's College, London
Professor Norman Doe
Centre for Law and Religion, Cardiff University
Sir William Fittall
Former Secretary General of the General Synod
The Very Revd John Hall
Dean of Westminster
Dr Colin Podmore
Forward in Faith

The Revd Dr Malcolm Brown
Archbishops' Council
Professor Grace Davie
Professor Emeritus, University of Exeter
Revd Dr Paul Goodliff
Baptist Union; Churches Together in England
Rt Revd Graham James
Bishop of Norwich
Lord Singh of Wimbledon
Network of Sikh Organisations

Conference Convenor

Frances Godden
Deputy Diocesan Secretary, Diocese of Ely



The Society will have the exclusive use of Cumberland Lodge, an elegant period building in the heart of Windsor Great Park. Many of its rooms are twin bedded and the conference has been costed to encourage the sharing of accommodation. The cost for members is £330 per person (shared occupancy) and £480 (single occupancy). Non-member registration will open on 1 July at £390 and £540 respectively. The non-residential rate is £150 for the whole Conference or £100 for Saturday only, dinner excluded (£210 and £160 respectively for non-members).

The conference will run from 3.00 pm on Friday and finish with lunch on Sunday. A clergy bursary of £100 is available, limited to the first 20 applicants.

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