

**THIRTEENTH WORKSHOP OF PARLIAMENTARY SCHOLARS AND
PARLIAMENTARIANS**

**29-30 JULY 2017
WROXTON COLLEGE, NR BANBURY, OXFORDSHIRE, UK**

Information for participants



Travel

The venue, Wroxton College, is in the village of Wroxton, three miles outside the town of Banbury in Oxfordshire in the UK. It is within easy reach of Oxford and Shakespeare's birthplace of Stratford upon Avon. It is also within easy reach of London both by road and rail. The town lies just off the M40 motorway. (Take the Banbury exit and follow the signs to Wroxton. For anyone using SatNav, the postcode is OX15 6PX.) Banbury can be reached by rail from London – the quickest direct service is from London Marylebone station.

For those travelling by air, there is a National Express coach service between London Heathrow airport and Banbury. (The quickest journey time is 1 hour 15 minutes. To book a seat, go to <http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx>) For those arriving at Gatwick airport, you are advised to travel in to London and take the train to Banbury from Marylebone station. Birmingham airport is to the north of Banbury and there are rail services between Birmingham International and Banbury.

There are taxis available for the short journey from Banbury railway station to Wroxton.

Arrival at Wroxton College

If arriving by taxi, you will be dropped off at the main entrance to the College. Your Workshop pack will be available in the Great Hall (which is immediately ahead as you enter through the main entrance). If you have booked accommodation in the College, please collect your room key from the Registration Desk (to the right as you enter the Great Hall). If coming by car, parking is available in the College car park, sign posted as you drive down the drive. Cars are prohibited from being parked in front of the main building.

Layout of the College

Meals will be served in the *Dining Hall* and refreshments in the *Buttery*. The panel sessions will be held in the *Lecture Hall* and the *Regency Room*.

The Dining Hall, Buttery and Lecture Hall are in the Carriage House (the building to the right in the picture above and shown in detail below). The Buttery is located conveniently between the Dining Hall and the Lecture Hall.



The Carriage House

*Enter by the door under the flags to reach the Dining Hall and the Buttery.
The Lecture Hall is reached through the Buttery or through the door to the far right.*

The Regency Room is in the main building. To reach it, go through the entrance to the left in the Great Hall and then go up the main staircase to the right.



The Regency Room

Meals

If you have booked the weekend accommodation package, dinner on the Friday (28 July) is at 7.00 p.m. in the Dining Hall. Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday is served from 8.00 a.m. in the Dining Hall. If you have booked to stay on the Sunday evening, dinner is at 7.00 p.m. and breakfast on Monday at 8.00 a.m.

Other meal times are shown on the programme. If you have registered for the conference, but not booked any meals, it is possible to dine at the Wroxton House Hotel or the White Horse Inn (housed in a building built around 1730), both located a short walk from the College. There is also a public house in the nearby village of Drayton as well as several restaurants and cafes in Banbury.

Refreshments served in the Buttery between panels are available to all those who have registered for the Workshop.

Exploring the grounds

The College is housed in over 50 acres of wooded grounds. There is a formal drive to the front of the main building, but the principal grounds – including a pond and large lake – are to the rear. You are very welcome to explore the grounds. A walk round the full length of the grounds will normally take between 15 and 30 minutes.

The main building

The main building is a Jacobean mansion, the main part of the house having been completed at the beginning of the 17th Century. For those who would like showing round, there will be a guided tour on the Saturday evening. However, you are also welcome to explore the house at your leisure. It has its own library, gym, and chapel.

Wi-fi

Wi-fi is available in College. No password is required. Just log on to 'tsunami'. There is also a computer room in the basement.

Queries

If you have any queries regarding your accommodation, please consult the Registration Desk. If you have any queries regarding payment, please see Amanda Riley. If you have any queries regarding the Workshop programme, please consult Lord Norton.

The College telephone number, should you be delayed, is +44 (0)1295 730 551. Queries in advance of the Workshop should be addressed to the Workshop organisers at the Centre for Legislative Studies, Lord Norton of Louth p.norton@hull.ac.uk or Amanda Riley amandariley1@btinternet.com

***We look forward to welcoming you to Wroxton College
and the Thirteenth Workshop.***