



South Wales West Local Section Trust

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Dear Colleague,

RSC Local Section Annual Dinner and AGM – Tuesday 21st March 2017

It is our pleasure to invite you to attend this special evening at **Sketty Hall, Swansea**

6.15 pm **Arrival and Informal Reception (open to all attendees)**
6.30 pm **Annual General Meeting**
7.15 pm **Dinner**

Enclosed are the AGM papers and a copy of the menu which gives a choice of starters and main courses, as well as a selection of desserts and coffee at a cost of **£25 per head**. If you would like to attend please send a cheque, made out to **RSC South Wales West Local Section Trust** along with the reply slip below indicating your menu choices. Alternatively you may make a payment by bank transfer to the same account using sort code 30-95-46 account 02596814 giving 'AGM17' and your surname as the reference, and email your choices to the address above.

Please reply before Tuesday 14th March so that we can let the restaurant know the numbers in good time. Information about food allergies / intolerances should be indicated on the pro-forma.

Yours sincerely

James D. McGettrick

Hon. Secretary

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Please return to **James McGettrick, Flat 2, Ty Castell House, St Mary Street Swansea, SA1 3LH**

2017 RSC Dinner: I wish to attend the RSC Annual Local Section Summer Dinner and

☐ enclose a cheque for £..... or ☐ paid by bank transfer (£25 per person)

Name **Choice:** Starter Main Dessert

Address

Tel No E-mail

Wife/Husband/Partner..... **Choice:** Starter Main Dessert

Details of Food Allergies/Intolerance

For administrative purposes, please indicate the source of this information:

RSC News ☐ e-mail Attachment ☐ Postal Notification ☐

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South Wales West Local Section Annual Dinner
Tuesday 21st March 2017, Sketty Hall

STARTERS

S1: Traditional Welsh Cawl (Vegetarian option available on request)
(served with a freshly baked Welsh Rarebit Muffin)

S2: Salmon and Pembrokeshire Potato Fish Cake
(served with a Cherry Tomato Salad)

S3: Deep Fried Caerphilly Cheese (V)
(served with Watercress Salad and Pineapple Chutney)

MAIN COURSE

M1: Lamb Stew
(served with Rosemary Dumplings and Deep fried Leek Garnish)

M2: Supreme of Chicken
(served with Leek and Potato Puree, roasted Root Vegetables and Tarragon Jus)

M3: Pan fried Fillets of Sea Bass
(served with Royal Jersey Potatoes, wilted greens and a Cockle and Laverbread Sauce)

M4: Leek and Wensleydale Crumble Tart (V)
(served with a crushed New Potatoes and a Warm Pea, Mangetout and Basil Salad)

DESSERTS

D1: White Chocolate and Strawberry Mousse
(served with Joe's Vanilla Ice Cream and Welsh Shortbread)

D2: Apple and Blackberry Crumble
(served with a Penderyn Crème Anglaise)

D3: Selection of Welsh Cheeses
(served with Chutney, Celery, pickled Walnuts, Grapes and Biscuits)

Coffee/Tea and Mini Welsh Cakes

Please note that some dishes may contain nuts or other food allergens. If you have a food allergy please let us know when you book. Individual ingredients are subject to change due to seasonal availability.



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**NOTICE OF THE 99th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE SOUTH WALES WEST LOCAL SECTION TRUST**

To be held in **Sketty Hall, Sketty Lane, SWANSEA** at **6.30 pm** on **Tuesday 21st March 2017** followed by the **Local Section Annual Dinner**.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of Previous AGM held on 22nd March 2016
2. Annual Report of the Secretary for 2016
3. Annual Report of the Treasurer for 2016 including
 - a. Audited Statement of Local Section Accounts
 - b. Audited Statement of Harry Hallam Memorial Trust Account
4. Elections of Officers
5. Any Other Business

In connection with Agenda Item 4, notice is given that nominations are invited for vacancies in the Local Section Committee to replace retiring members or fill new roles as follows:

1. Chairman
2. Vice Chairman
3. Schools Liason Officer
4. Social Secretary
5. **THREE** Ordinary Members



NOMINATION FORM

Position

Nominee Name..... Proposer Name.....

Address..... Address.....

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Tel. No..... Tel. No.....

E-mail..... E-mail.....

RSC Membership No..... RSC Membership No.....

RSC Designation RSC Designation

I agree to serve in the above capacity if elected

Nominee Signature Proposer Signature

Please send any nominations for these posts to: Dr James McGettrick, Flat 2, Ty Castell House, St Mary Street, Swansea SA1 3LH or e-mail j.d.mcgettrick@swansea.ac.uk before **7th March 2017**.

James D. McGettrick

Hon. Secretary

Royal Society of Chemistry – South Wales West Section

Minutes of AGM held at Sketty Hall on 22nd March 2016

Present:

J. A.F. Abdel-Khalik E.J. Loveridge, D. N. Jones, R. S. Mason, G. C. Hughes, D.W Bird, B. G. Morgan, R Leveton C. Batchelor, G.Howell, B Davison, O. Chess, D. N. Mason, E. Rhodes, J. M. Williams, J. McGettrick, A. Pockett, K. Hooper, C. B. Buckley, W.J. Griffiths, J. Rentmore

Apologies:

D.H. Atkins, L. Jeffes, G. Van Keulan, W. George, B. Handford, J. Thomas

1. Minutes of AGM held on 24th March 2015

The minutes were confirmed as correct.

2. Annual Report of Secretary for 2016

Membership The membership is 320, about 5% increase, mostly students and younger members. There should be an increase next year when the new Chemistry Department starts

Schools Programme. The members were saddened to hear of the unexpected passing of John Davies who did so much for the local section. The huge turnout at his memorial service showed his popularity and work in the local section and in the Welsh community. He will be greatly missed. Science and Energy lectures in the last year had been presented by John, Joel Loveridge and Rod Mason. Brian Morgan said that the Huntsman Corporation will continue to sponsor the Chemical Olympiad.

3. Annual Report of the Treasurer for 2016

Audited Local Section Account. Most of the income and expenditure was as expected, although. income from the Science and Energy Lectures was higher than last year, reflecting an increase of 300 (15%) in pupil numbers. The end of year balance was slightly high, at £1615 but will be about £1000 when unpaid cheques are cleared, qualifying again for the full RSC grant

Audited Harry Hallam Memorial Fund Account. No prizes were awarded this year but there are several nominations for next year.

4. Election of Officers and Members of Committee

Dai Atkins is standing down as secretary and James McGettrick has been nominated for the post. Bill George has resigned as Lecture Programme Secretary and Bill Griffiths offered to replace him. Mr Rhodri Owen has been nominated as committee member and all three were agreed by the meeting. James McGettrick has found a panel of people who would present the Science and Energy lectures, some in welsh. They will attend the May lectures with a view to starting in September.

5. Any Other Business

1. Dayna Mason presented the progress of the Special RSC Events in Wales, most of which concerns engaging students in chemistry. There have been Family Weekends and stands at the National Eisteddfod and the Urdd, involving about 2000 members of the public. About 20 ChemNet events (aimed at 14 – 18 year old students) have been organised, which included double badged RSC lectures. There have revision classes and trips to establishments and industry, involving about 1000 students.

Chemistry Week will be in Swansea this year and Dayna made a plea for volunteers to cover a morning or afternoon session at the weekend of 10/11 September.

2. James McGettrick, the new Secretary) introduced himself to the meeting.



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The members recorded a vote of thanks for Dai Atkins who had so ably taken over as Secretary from Jim Ballentine
Finally there was a minutes silence for John Davies.

Following the AGM, the Local Section Committee is as follows:

<u>Present Committee</u>	<u>2016 – 2017</u>	<u>Term Ends</u>
<u>Chairperson</u>	Mr Jonas Abdel-Khalik AMRSC	2017
<u>Vice-Chairperson</u>	Dr E Joel Loveridge MRSC	2018
<u>Hon. Secretary</u>	Dr. James McGettrick	2017
<u>Hon. Treasurer</u>	Mr Gordon C Hughes CChem MRSC	2018
<u>Committee Secretary</u>	Dr David W Bird CChem MRSC	2018
<u>Social Secretary</u>	Vacant	
<u>Programme Secretary</u>	Prof. William J Griffiths CChem MRSC	2017
<u>Benevolent Fund Rep.</u>	Mr David H Atkins AMRSC	
 <u>Committee Members</u>		
Schools Liaison	Dr D Neville Jones CChem FRSC	2018
Regional Representative	Dr Rod S Mason FRSC	2018
	Mr Brian G Morgan MRSC	2018
	Mr Rhodri Owen	2018
 <u>Ex-Officio Committee Members</u>		
Regional Coordinator	Dr Dayna Mason	
Welsh Government & Parliamentary Liaison	Mr Leigh Jeffes	
 <u>Honorary Auditors:</u>		
	Dr C Anthony Wellington CChem FRSC	2018
	Dr J Michael Williams CChem FRSC	2018