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REGIONAL MEETINGS

Dear All

The Regional Meetings for 2018 will soon be upon us and a proposed agenda will be sent out in the not too distant future.

There are five regional groups as you know and most of the dates and venues for this year's meetings are shown in the chart on page 2 of this Newsletter. Where the information has not yet been confirmed or is missing, it is highlighted in bold and with a question mark.

New chairmen are required for London & South, Midland & North Western and EMNESH so volunteers are sought for these positions at least for this year's meetings. The subject of Regional Chairmen and Minute Takers will be on this year's agenda and an idea has already been submitted that would make the role of chairman less onerous. I will be contacting branches in those regions with a view to appointing a new chairman unless a volunteer would like to come forward. Please ask if you might be interested but are unsure what is involved.

Where the information is not yet confirmed, please will the chairmen, or other appropriate member(s) of those groups provide this as soon as possible ie Venue, Date, Time. Midland and North Western - please let me know if any arrangements have already been made as these are usually done well in advance ie date, venue, time. If there are no arrangements in place as yet, I will contact the officers for those branches to see what can be done.

London & South - arrangements are in place as far as venue, date and time is concerned. The meeting cannot be held at the WURC and, although an alternative venue was offered, it would have been less convenient to get to by public transport. The new venue is a private address so details will not be published in a Newsletter for obvious reasons, except to say that it is a similar distance from Woking Railway Station.

While a Regional Meetings agenda will be provided, additional ideas or subjects for inclusion would be welcome as this is about the branches and how you see the Society working for the membership, and linking with the Management Committee (MC). Please contact me as soon as possible with any additional items for the agenda.

These meetings are a good opportunity for networking in person and for the MC to get together with Branch Officers on a more personal basis, so I would urge each and every branch to send at least one representative.

Kind regards

Irene

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	GREAT WESTERN	LONDON & SOUTH	NORTHERN HOME COUNTIES	MIDLAND & NORTH WESTERN	EMNESH
LOCATION	Royal Hotel, Bath	Private address, Woking	Digswell Villiage Church, Digswell	Waverley Hotel, Crewe?	Edmondson Room, NRM, York (venue to be confirmed)
DATE	9 June 2018 (Saturday)	12 May 2018 (Saturday)	12 May 2018 (Saturday)	?	10 May 2018 (Thursday) (date to be confirmed)
TIME	12.00hrs?	11.00hrs	11.00hrs?	12.00hrs?	11.00hrs?
MC ATTENDEE					
CHAIRMAN	Brian Arman	?	Robert Warburton	?	?

Great Western: Bristol; Cheltenham; Thames Valley; South Wales; West of England

London & South: Chichester; Croydon & South London; Solent; South East; Surrey; Sussex; Windsor & Maidenhead

Northern Home Counties: Cambridge; Hitchin; Ipswich; Milton Keynes; Northampton; Peterborough; South Essex; Watford

Midland & North Western: Furness, Lakes & Lune; Lancashire & North West; Merseyside, Chester & North Wales; West Midlands

EMNESH: East Midlands; Humberside; North East; Scottish; Sheffield; West Riding

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