



Call for Papers

Joint Meeting of HOGG and GCG (History of Geology Group and Geological Curators' Group)

Hosted by the Bath Royal Literary and Scientific Institution, Bath

Tuesday 18th September 2018, with a day of related field trips in Bath and immediate area on Wed 19th September

Collectors, Collections and the geology of South West Britain

This collaborative meeting organised by two Special Interest Groups of the Geological Society focuses on the geology of South West Britain. We invite expressions of interest in presenting papers or posters on the broad topic of collectors and their collections related to the history of geology in the southwest, and on those who deciphered the geological story. Whilst William Smith and his role in mapping and stratigraphy has been very well presented in most recent years, there are many others whose stories remain less well known, such as William Lonsdale, who worked at both the Bath Literary and Scientific Institution and at the Geological Society. If there is sufficient interest, the proceedings may be published as a thematic issue of the GCG journal, the *Geological Curator*.

We invite any contributions on the meeting topic, especially on:

- Collectors who worked in the southwest, contributing to the development of geological science. The role of more modern or even contemporary collectors should not be forgotten.
- Collections from the southwest which are poorly known, or which have been returned to prominence with recent projects. These may be rock, fossil, mineral or archival collections.
- Field geologists whose work and observations were important to the development of the science, without necessarily having made significant collections.

A series of social events are also planned but we do not expect registration for the first day to cost more than £20 maximum, with discounted rate for members of HOGG, GCG, BRLSI and Bath Geological Society. The second day will be costed on individual options, but some choices (e.g. cemetery and building stone walks) will be free.

Closing date for expressions of interest is April 30 and submission of abstracts (max 350 words) must be completed before May 18. Please submit to: swmeeting@geocurator.org

Please contact one of the organisers for further information on this call and on the meeting.

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