

Gersum: the Scandinavian Legacy in Medieval Britain

St Catharine's College, Cambridge

McGrath Centre

5–7 September, 2018



Programme

Wednesday, 5 September

12–2: Registration and lunch

2–2.20: Richard Dance (Cambridge), Opening Remarks

2.20–3.40: *Session 1*

2.20: Judith Jesch (Nottingham), 'Scandinavian runes in England: dating, distribution and contexts'

3: Jane Kershaw (Oxford), 'Anglo-Scandinavian contact in the rural Danelaw: the physical setting'

3.40–4.10: Tea and coffee break

4.10–5.30: *Session 2*

4.10: Máire Ní Mhaonaigh (Cambridge), 'The impact of the Scandinavian invasion on the Celtic-speaking peoples (almost) sixty years on'

4.50: David Parsons (CAWCS), 'The linguistic background to Gospatric's writ'

Evening drinks and dinner

Thursday, 6 September

9.30–10.50: *Session 3*

9.30: Elizabeth Ashman Rowe (Cambridge), 'Anglo-Scandinavian contact from a Scandinavian perspective: ecclesiastical and political contacts in Norway and Iceland c. 1000–1050'

10.10: Lesley Abrams (Oxford and Cambridge), 'Pagans and Christians: two baptisms and some funerals'

10.50–11.20: Tea and coffee break

11.20–12.40: *Session 4*

11.20: Philip Durkin (*OED*), ‘Norse borrowings in the *OED*: a fresh examination’

12: Brittany Schorn (Cambridge), ‘Gersum: lexis of Old Norse origin in the poetry of the Middle English Alliterative Revival’

12.40–2.30: Lunch

2.30–3.50: *Session 5*

2.30: Thorlac Turville-Petre (Nottingham), ‘Topographical vocabulary in the *Wars of Alexander*’

3.10: Sara M. Pons-Sanz (Cardiff), ‘The *Gawain*-Poet’s emotions’

3.50–4.20: Tea and coffee break

Evening drinks and dinner

Friday, 7 September

9.30–10.50: *Session 7*

9.30: Nik Gunn (UCL), ‘Compounding the issue: Anglo-Norse language contact and word formation’

10.10: George Walkden (Konstanz), ‘Scandinavians and verb-second in Northumbrian Old English’

10.50–11.20: Tea and coffee break

11.20–12.40: *Session 8*

11.20: Jayne Carroll (Nottingham), ‘Old Norse watery terms in English place-names and beyond’

12: Matthew Townend (York), ‘The Vikings and the Victorians and dialect’

12.40–2.30: Lunch