



Henry Bradshaw Society

Annual Reports for 2023

ANNUAL MEETING
26th April 2024

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1. Notice of Annual Meeting

The one hundred and twenty-first Annual Meeting of the Society will be held on Friday 26 April 2024 at 2 p.m. in the Redman Room, Trinity College, Cambridge CB2 1TQ. Members are invited to arrive at 1.15 for a light lunch in the same room. Those attending should assemble on the cobbles outside the Great Gate of Trinity either at 1.15 for lunch or shortly before 2 for the meeting, to be collected by the Secretary.

Members are also welcome to join the meeting on Zoom, using the following link, which will be available from 1.50 p.m.: <https://trin-cam-ac-uk.zoom.us/j/97670769826>.

The Annual Meeting will be followed by a meeting of the Society's Council, which members will also be welcome to observe should they wish.

Following the Council meeting the **Henry Bradshaw Society Lecture 2024** will be held in the Winstanley Lecture Theatre, also in Trinity College, at **5 p.m.** We are delighted that

Margot Fassler,

Keough-Hesburgh Professor Emerita of Music History and Liturgy,
University of Notre Dame,

will be joining us to speak on the subject of
'Hildegard von Bingen as Liturgist'.

Hildegard von Bingen is well known as a theologian, writer of letters, composer, poet, scientist, and probable designer of manuscript illuminations. But one of her most important roles was that of a liturgist, a person who was responsible for shaping the liturgical practices of a particular community and often providing liturgical materials for cantors and others to adapt for practice. This aspect of her work has not previously been studied in its many-faceted dimensions, which include the design of liturgical spaces, the creation of sermons, new hagiographical materials including saints' lives and *historiae*, a repertory of chants for the mass and office, a liturgical play set to music, and a liturgical commentary. Indeed, she worked in several of the kinds of liturgical materials that are published in the Henry Bradshaw Society volumes.

In this lecture, Hildegard's many liturgical endeavours will be shown to embody a particular hermeneutic of praise, one that is forcefully defined in her most famous letter, written to the prelates of Mainz near the end of her life. Her original approach to liturgy enabled her to create unique roles for the women it was her task to lead and inspire.

This lecture will also be livestreamed on Zoom at this link:

<https://trin-cam-ac-uk.zoom.us/j/99971861573>.

2. Agenda for Annual Meeting

1. ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT

To consider the election of a President for 2024–25. Professor Henry Mayr-Harting was elected President of the Society last year and is willing to stand for re-election.

2. APOLOGIES

To receive apologies for absence.

3. COMMEMORATIONS

To commemorate departed members of the Society.

4. MINUTES

To receive the Minutes of the one hundred and twentieth Annual Meeting.

5. STATEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

6. REPORTS

To receive the Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer.

7. ACCOUNTS

To receive and accept the Accounts for 2023.

8. ELECTION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

To report that the Officers of the Council for 2023–24 elected by the 2023 Annual Meeting were as follows:

Chairman Professor Susan Rankin

General Secretary Dr Nicolas Bell

Publications Secretary Professor Rosalind Love

Treasurer Dr Bernard Moreton

To consider the election of Officers for 2024–25.

9. ELECTION OF COUNCIL

To report that the membership of Council is as follows:

— The Administrative Officers of Council

— Additional elected members, as follows:

(a) *elected 2021, to serve until 2024*: Professor Katy Cubitt, Professor Sarah Hamilton, Dr David Pelteret, Professor Tessa Webber

(b) *elected 2022, to serve until 2025*: Dr Eleanor Giraud, Professor John Harper, the Rev'd Dr Michael Lang, Dr Alan Thacker

(c) *elected 2023, to serve until 2026*: Dr Daniel DiCenso, Dr Helen Gittos, Dr Anthony Harris, Dr Frank Lawrence, Dr Henry Parkes

The additional members elected under (a) above now retire, and are eligible for re-election.

To consider the election of members of Council.

(Will members of the Society note that under item 21 of the Constitution nominations for new members of Council must be made in writing to the Secretary. Members wishing to make nomination should ensure that their candidate is willing to stand, and that the nomination is received by the General Secretary on or before Monday 22 April 2024.)

10. ELECTION OF ACCOUNTS EXAMINER

To report that the Annual Meeting of 2023 resolved to invite Mr Patrick Clinton to undertake the duties of Independent Accounts Examiner for the year, and that Mr Clinton subsequently agreed.

To consider the appointment of the Independent Accounts Examiner for the year 2024.

11. ANNUAL MEETING 2025

To consider the date and location of the one hundred and twenty-second Annual Meeting.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

3. Minutes of the one hundred and twentieth Annual Meeting, Friday 9 June 2023

The one hundred and twentieth Annual Meeting of the Society was held on Friday 9 June 2023 at 2 p.m. in the Junior Parlour, Trinity College, Cambridge. Those present were Dr Nicolas Bell (General Secretary), Professor Sarah Hamilton, the Rev'd Dr Hugh Kennedy, the Rev'd Dr Uwe Michael Lang, Professor Rosalind Love, Professor Susan Rankin (Chairman of the Council), and Dr Alan Thacker. The following also joined the meeting online via Zoom: Dr Daniel DiCenso, Dr Eleanor Giraud, Professor John Harper, Dr Frank Lawrence, Mr Graham Mather, Dr Bernard Moreton (Treasurer), Dr David Pelteret, the Rev'd Dr Bruce Ritchie and Dr Elizabeth Teviotdale.

1. Professor Mayr-Harting was re-elected as President for the year 2023-24. He presented his apologies for not being present in person, and recorded his thanks for the work undertaken by the officers over the past year. Professor Rankin was asked to chair the meeting.
2. Apologies were received from Professor Katy Cubitt, Professor David Ganz, Dr Helen Gittos, Dr Anthony Harris, Professor Michael Lapidge (Vice-President), Kate Falardeau, Dr Henry Parkes, Fr Anthony Ward SM and the Rev'd Michael G. Witczak SLD.
3. Commemoration was made of Helmut Gneuss, for many years Vice-President of the Society, who had died on 26 February 2023 at the age of 95; of John Toy, a member of the Society for many years who served for several periods on its Council and who died on 17 October 2022 at the age of 91; and of Wayne D. Pokorny who died on 12 November 2021 at the age of 83.
4. The minutes of the one hundred and nineteenth meeting were received as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman of Council.
5. The Chairman reported that a copy of the Society's recent publication, David Pratt's edition of *English Coronation Ordines in the Ninth and Early Tenth Centuries*, had been presented to HM The King during the preparations for His Majesty's coronation service, and had been accepted with gratitude and added to the Royal Library.
6. The General Secretary and Treasurer presented their reports, and the Treasurer circulated Book Reports for 2022.
7. The Treasurer presented the Accounts, which had been examined by the Independent Examiner. The meeting accepted and formally approved the accounts. The Treasurer was thanked for his work in preparing them. It was agreed that the Secretary would write to Mr Patrick Clinton to thank him for his work in examining the accounts, and would file the accounts with the Charity Commission.
8. The meeting voted unanimously that the Officers of the Council for the year 2023–24 should be as follows:
Chairman Professor Susan Rankin
General Secretary Dr Nicolas Bell
Publications Secretary Professor Rosalind Love
Treasurer Dr Bernard Moreton
9. The meeting considered the membership of the Council. Dr Jesse Billett's term of appointment ended at this meeting, and he was thanked for his work on the Society's behalf. Dr Daniel DiCenso, Dr Helen Gittos, Dr Frank Lawrence, Dr Henry Parkes were reappointed to serve for a further period of three years, until the Annual Meeting of 2026. A proposal had been received from Dr Moreton to elect Dr Anthony Harris to the Council, seconded by Prof. Rankin. This was unanimously agreed to, and Dr Harris was likewise appointed to serve for three years until the Annual Meeting of 2026.

10. The meeting considered the appointment of an Independent Examiner of the Accounts for 2023. The Treasurer reported that Mr Patrick Clinton had offered to serve in this capacity once again, and the meeting agreed unanimously to accept his kind offer.
11. It was agreed that the one hundred and twenty-first Annual Meeting would be held on Friday 26 April, also in Cambridge.
12. The meeting ended at 2.30 p.m.

4. Secretary's Report for 2023

Following the publication of David Pratt's edition of English Coronation Ordines in the Ninth and Early Tenth Centuries a year ago, the Publications Committee has been active in advancing various further publications, though it is sadly now likely that none will appear in print until 2024. The Committee has also held meetings with our publishers Boydell & Brewer to discuss possible e-book editions of some of our Main Series volumes (the recent volumes in the Subsidia series are already available in electronic formats), as well as other aspects of future production.

The seminars on the history of liturgy sponsored by the Society at the Institute of Historical Research have continued successfully during the year, and draw a healthy mixture of participants, both in person and online.

In the course of the past year the Society welcomed eleven new members: Dr M. Carter (London), the Rev'd A. M. Daffern (Wells), Dr E. Z. D. Ellis (Hillsdale, MI), Mr I. Frisby (Durham), Prof. G. Muniz Alvarez (Orviedo), the Rev'd Dr R. Pickles (Langholm), Mrs R. J. Riddel (Savannah, GA), Mrs P. Rivett (Virginia Water), Dr J. M. Starke (Arlington VA), Mr C. Walsh (Metuchen, NJ), and Ms R. Warren (Cambridge).

Nicolas Bell
Hon. General Secretary
14 April 2024

5. Treasurer's Report for 2023

The Independently Examined Accounts are set out below in the usual format. A statement of income and expenditure by volume will be available as usual at the Annual Meeting, together with the accounts to date for 2024.

The changes in investment valuation in 2023, now recovered from the depression of 2022, together with bank interest payments in the year, are reflected in proportionate adjustments to the Burr Fund, in addition to the previous practice of allocating a proportion of bank interest payments.

The Society has £24k in a 1-year deposit with the Charity Bank at 3.56%, maturing on 15 July 2024. The interest will be credited to the balance on the maturity date, with the balance as of 31/12/2023 remaining the same as on the day of deposit. So that this interest due appears in the 2023 Accounts, I have posted a rounded sum of £390.00 to Bank Accruals, with a contra to Accruals Control. The full posting of that interest will be made on maturity in July 2024.

The finances of the Society remain healthy, and well-prepared to fund the volumes in preparation.

Bernard Moreton
Honorary Treasurer
22 January 2024

BALANCE SHEET

VOLUMES IN PROGRESS

Vol 125: English Coronation Ordines in

Actual costs		Revenue	
2531.00	Printing	5966.90	5060.50 Subs
	- Distribution	1686.00	- Subsidies
91.16	General o/heads	91.16	
Provisionals			
2531.00	Printing (provisional)	-	
1750.00	Distribution (prov)	-	
Tfr to Accumulated Fund			
	- Tfr DB to Acc. Fund	-7744.06	- Tfr CR to Acc. Fund
			-5352.50
<u>6903.16</u>	(Subtotal)	<u>0.00</u>	<u>5060.50 (Subtotal)</u>
			<u>0.00</u>

WIP NOT YET ASSIGNED

Provisionals 2017			
203.86	O/heads 2017	203.86	4533.70 Subscriptions 2017
Provisionals 2018			
148.38	O/heads 2018	148.38	4515.00 Subscriptions 2018
Provisionals 2019			
112.85	O/heads 2019	112.85	4343.50 Subscriptions 2019
Provisionals 2020			
96.03	O/heads 2020	96.03	4330.00 Subscriptions 2020
Provisionals 2021			
173.19	O/heads 2021	173.19	4127.50 Subscriptions 2021
Provisionals 2022			
161.12	O/heads 2022	161.12	3988.00 Subscriptions 2022
Provisionals 2023			
	- Overheads 2023	154.82	2555.00 Subscriptions 2023
Provisionals 2024			
			- Subscriptions 2024
			2511.00
<u>895.43</u>	(Subtotal)	<u>1050.25</u>	<u>28392.70 (Subtotal)</u>
			<u>32674.70</u>

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

ASSETS

42181.29	Bank Accounts	43238.21
6.00	Debtors	-
-	- Accruals: Bank Interest	390.00
	Investments	
124783.92	CCLA Investment	142226.96

LIABILITIES

266.21	Prepaid subs suspense	170.37
-	- Accruals Control	390.00
4281.00	WIP accruals	-
	Benefactions	
46241.93	Martin Burr Legacy	50480.82

174769.80 **BALANCE SHEET DB** 186905.42

84242.34 **BALANCE SHEET CR** 83715.89

90527.46 **NETT ASSETS** 103189.53

REPRESENTING		
99978.23	Acc. Fund b/f	90527.46
-9450.77	Transfer to Acc. Fund	12662.07
90527.46	Acc. Fund c/f	103189.53

CASH MOVEMENTS

2022	2023	2022	2023
45.73 Postage & telephone	8.90	4599.32 Subscriptions	4354.56
40.39 Stationery, Internet, etc	79.92		
75.00 Bank Charges	66.00	114.93 Bank Interest	334.90
		-14398.68 Investment Valuation Change	17443.04
- Benefactions - Expenditure	600.00	211.33 Income Tax Repayments	142.52
2531.00 Main Series Printing	3435.90	- Publications Grants	148.50
- Main Series Distribution	1686.00	911.82 Royalties	1997.92
- Warehousing	50.76		
<u>2692.12 (Subtotal)</u>	<u>5927.48</u>	<u>-8561.28 (Subtotal)</u>	<u>24421.44</u>
Postings Contra		Postings contra	
- Accumulated Funds	-50.76	13122.24 Accumulated Funds	-19943.28
-2531.00 Wip Publication Costs	-5121.90	-4605.00 Wip Revenue Accounts	-4574.00
-161.12 Wip Overhead Accounts	-154.82		
- Assets/Liabilities	-600.00	44.04 Assets/Liabilities	95.84
<u>0.00 (Totals)</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00 (Totals)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Signed on behalf of all the trustees :

<i>(signed)</i> M.B.Moreton <i>Honorary Treasurer</i>	<i>Date:</i> 22 January 2024
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Independent examiner's report on the accounts for the period 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023.

To the Officers of the Henry Bradshaw Society:

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the Treasurer and a comparison of the banking accounts and either source documents, or copies of same, with those records. The examination also gave consideration as to unusual items or disclosures in the accounts.

My queries and clarifications were resolved by the Treasurer and all evidence provided enabled satisfactory completion of my review and there were no unusual items or disclosures identified.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

I have concluded that the accounts placed before you represent a fair and accurate record of the financial position of the Charity.

<i>(signed)</i> P.L.Clinton <i>Independent Examiner</i>	<i>Date:</i> 24 January 2024
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Statement on Reserves, approved by Council at its meeting on 26 April 2016

The Society holds no permanent endowment, and all its funds are expendable. Trustees regularly review the level of reserves required to meet the Charity's commitments to subscribers, for subscriptions received, and to editors, for volumes in various stages of preparation, and consider the consequences of a major reduction in income or increase in expenditure. Since the Society has generally issued publications in arrears to members paying subscriptions, it has been protected from the risk of amounting debts by allowing major expenditure only to follow accrual of income. The Trustees consider this policy to be sufficiently prudent in the circumstances.

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The object of the Society is the advancement of religion and to educate the public in religious knowledge in particular by undertaking liturgical study and research and publishing the useful results thereof; in furtherance of these objects but no further or otherwise:

(a) to print and publish facsimiles documents rare editions and manuscripts and such other works as may be deemed desirable;

(b) to promote lectures and meetings;

(c) to acquire receive and administer any copyrights and rights in the nature of copyrights relating to the foregoing objects.

