



Worshipful Company of Water Conservators
Election Court Lunch

Thursday 11th April 2019
HQS Wellington



You are cordially invited to attend the Election Court Lunch of the Worshipful Company of Water Conservators, at HQS Wellington, a Grimsby Class Sloop built for the Royal Navy in 1934.

The guest speaker will be Professor William Blake from Plymouth University

Reception drinks will be served from 12.15pm to 12.40pm followed by lunch and the traditional offering of the Stirrup Cup.

*Please reply by completing the slip below then send, with an accompanying cheque, to: **The Clerk, Water Conservators Company, The Lark, 2 Bell Lane, Worlington, Suffolk, IP28 8SE.***

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Please return by 28th March 2019

I (name in blocks).....

Would like to attend the election Lunch and bring (number of guests)

Please state any special dietary requirements.....

I would like to be seated near/next to.....

I enclose a cheque for £..... (£90 per head) made payable to "The Company of Water Conservators"

Our Speaker

Professor Will Blake is Professor of Catchment Science at the School of Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences (Faculty of Science and Engineering) at Plymouth University. He is widely published and an internationally recognised academic for his research into river catchment and the impact of human activities and natural disturbances in channels and estuaries. He is also Director of the Plymouth University Consolidated Radioisotope Facility. Will is an engaging speaker and has a wealth of knowledge and experience that will appeal to members and his subject is highly topical. You are urged to take the opportunity to hear what Will has to say.



History of HQS Wellington

Built at Devonport in 1934, HMS Wellington served in the Pacific mainly on station in New Zealand and China before the Second World War. During the war, Wellington was fitted with two 4.7 inch and one three inch guns. Additionally, anti-aircraft guns were fitted for self-defence. Depth charges for use against submarines were also carried. The Wellington served primarily in the North Atlantic on convoy escort duties. She shared in the destruction of one enemy U boat and was involved in Operation Dynamo, the evacuation of troops from Dunkirk.

Later she was converted to Head Quarters Ship Wellington at the Chatham dockyards. The cost of this conversion was met by an appeal to which Lloyd's, Shipping Companies, Livery Companies and many other benefactors generously contributed. She arrived at her Victoria Embankment berth in December 1948 to

On the 1st of July 2005 ownership of the Wellington was transferred from the Honourable Company to the Wellington Trust. This is a charitable trust established to ensure the preservation of this historic ship.

Directions

HQS Wellington is situated at Temple Stairs on the North Bank of the river Thames. The nearest tube is Temple on the District and Circle Line.

From Temple tube station, turn right as you exit and cross at the pedestrian crossing immediately in front of you. Turn left after crossing the road and HQS Wellington is a few metres in front of you

Name(s) of guest(s)

First Name.....Surname.....
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