***DISCOVERY 2017!***

***INAUGURAL ANNUAL REVIEW OF ARCHAEOLOGY IN ULSTER***

**Organised by the Ulster Archaeological Society and the Centre for Community Archaeology at Queen’s University**

***Friday 20th October and Saturday 21st October 2017***

**Friday evening, 20th October 2017**

*Common Room, Elmwood Building, QUB & Lecture Theatre (Room OG-029), Elmwood Building, QUB*

**6.30 Wine Reception.**

**7.00-7.20 Launch of the new *Centre for Community Archaeology at Queen’s* by Professor Mark Price, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Queen’s University Belfast and Dr Eileen Murphy.**

**7.20-7.40pm Joe Mahon**

Archaeology and Community.

**7.40-8.30 Keynote Address: Robert Heslip** (Belfast City Council)

The importance of Community, Heritage and Archaeology.

**Saturday, 21st October 2017.**

*Lecture Theatre (Room OG-029), Elmwood Building, QUB*

**9.00-9.30 Conference Registration.**

**9.30-9.40 Conference Welcome: 70 Years and Counting!**

 **Dr Eileen Murphy** (Head of Archaeology & Palaeoecology) **& Ruairí Ó Baoill** (President of the Ulster Archaeological Society).

**9.40-10.00 Barrie Hartwell** (Ulster Archaeological Society)

The formation of the Ulster Archaeological Society in 1947 and 70 years of partnership with Queen’s University.

**10.00-10.15 Naomi Carver** (Leader, Belfast Young Archaeologists’ Club)

The activities of the Belfast Young Archaeologists’ Club in 2017.

**10.15-10.40 Dr Harry Welsh** & **David Craig (**Ulster Archaeological Society)

The activities of the Ulster Archaeological Society’s Field Survey Group during 2017.

**10.40-11.10 Morning Tea/ Coffee break.**

**11.10-11.20 Dr Liam Campbell** (Lough Neagh Landscape Partnership)

Introduction to the archaeological programme of the Lough Neagh Landscape Partnership, 2017-2021.

**11.20-11.40** **Dr Siobhán McDermott** (CAF)

Geophysical surveys conducted for the Lough Neagh Landscape Partnership during 2017.

**11.40-12.00** **Cormac McSparron** (CAF)

 Excavations at Aghagallon enclosure, County Antrim.

**12.00-12.20** **Colin Dunlop** & **Sarah Nicol** (NAC)

Two prehistoric timber circles excavated Armaloughey, Co. Tyrone and Clagan, Co. Derry.

**12.20-12.40 Johnny Barkley** (NAC)

Excavations at Clonboy Rath.

**12.40-1.00 Q & A for morning session.**

**1.00-2.00 Lunch**

**2.00-2.20 Dr Greer Ramsey (**National Museums Northern Ireland)

Archaeology and the Treasure Act.

**2.20-2.40** **Dr Paul Logue** (Historic Environment Division, DfC)

 The Historic Environment Fund in 2017.

**2.40-2.55 Dr David Bell**

 Foo dogs and Freemasonry: Antiquarianism in 19th century Ireland.

**2.55-3.10 Dr Rachel Tracey**

Post-Medieval ceramics, Carrickfergus, and the New World.

**3.10-3.30 Afternoon Tea/ Coffee break.**

**3.30-3.50 Malachy Conway** (National Trust for Northern Ireland)

The Ulster Archaeological Society contribution to National Trust archaeology.

**3.50-4.15 Thomas McErlean** (Ulster University)

 Discovering local landscapes: Interpreting heritage to community groups in Antrim and South Derry.

**4.15-4.35 Sarah Gormley** (CAF)

Archaeological investigations in Derry-Londonderry in 2017, undertaken on behalf of the Siege Museum and the Friends of Derry Walls.

**4.35-4.55** **Brian Sloan** (CAF)

Community Excavation at Cloghancor megalithic tomb, Co. Antrim, undertaken on behalf of the Heart of the Glens Landscape Partnership.

**4.55-5.15 Colm O’ Brien** (Bernician Studies Group)

The Early Medieval ecclesiastical complexes of Inishowen, Co. Donegal.

**5.15-5.35 Cormac Bourke** (Editor, *Ulster Journal of Archaeology*)

 The Ulster Journal of Archaeology: an editorial perspective.

**5.35-6.00 Q & A for afternoon session.**

**6.00 Conference concludes.**