

Annual Convention and AGM 2025

Saturday 4th October 09.00 – 16.00

Newbiggin Village Hall, nr Stainton, Penrith CA11 0HT £30 to include lunch, tea/coffee etc.

"Medieval Cumbria"

- 09.00 Doors open Register, Set up displays, Tea & Coffee
- 10.00-10.15 Introduction Les Gilpin CLHF Chairman
- 10.15 11.00 The Countryside of Medieval Cumbria Angus Winchester
- 11.05-11.50 Markets and Towns in Medieval Cumbria Alan Crosby
- 11.55-12.25 CLHF Annual General Meeting 2025 Les Gilpin
- 12.30-13.30 Lunch
- 13.35-14.10 The Lands of the Scottish Kings in Cumbria Alastair Robertson
- 14.10 14.30 Tea & Coffee
- 14.30 -15.15 Ecclesiastical land tenure in medieval Cumbria Michael Mullet
- 15.20-15.40 Summing Up & End of Convention

Angus Winchester is Emeritus Professor of History at Lancaster University. He has a deep-seated interest in the history of Cumbria and was founding director of the VCH Cumbria project. His most recent book on Cumbrian history is *The Language of the Landscape: a Journey into Lake District History* (Handstand Press, 2019).

Alan Crosby is one of England's best-known local historians. He has edited *The Local Historian* (the leading national journal) since 2001, and is currently chair of the Advisory Board of the Regional Heritage Centre at Lancaster University, Alan has researched and written extensively about aspects of Cumbrian history, and he is one of the editors for the *Transactions* of the Cumberland and Westmorland Antiquarian and Archaeological Society.

Alastair Robertson has lived in Alston for over thirty years, during which time the history of this small unique part of the world, and its wider implications, has continued to intrigue him. Alastair has written many articles, several local history books, including 'A History of Alston Moor,' soon to be reprinted, and 'The Foreigners in the Hills,' the story of the Vieille Montagne Zinc Company of Belgium on Alston Moor, and given many talks and guided walks about the subject.

Michael Mullett is Emeritus Professor of Religious and Cultural History of the University of Lancaster where he taught for 40 years. He has published over 20 books and numerous articles. His most recent book is 'Faith and Religion in Cumbria, from Prehistoric to Modern Times' (2 vols, Carlisle, Bookcase, 2024) and he is presently working on a centenary history of the Catholic diocese of Lancaster.

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- Book a Disabled car parking space......

...TALKS....RAFFLE...DISPLAYS...

Directions to the Village Hall, Newbiggin CA11 0HT



From the M6 take the exit at Junction 40.

From M6 Junction 40 roundabout take the exit onto the A66 signposted Workington/Keswick. At the next roundabout take the second exit. After three quarters of a mile move to the right-hand lane and carefully turn right signposted Newbiggin. The hall is on the right after you enter the village.