



**THE LABOURS OF ASA:  
The contributions of Asa Briggs to Labour History**

Lecture Theatre G.02, Maurice Keyworth Building,  
Leeds University Business School, Saturday 6 May 2017

**Preliminary Programme**

- 9.30 - 10.00      Arrival
- 10.00              Greeting by Keith Laybourn and Quentin Outram
- 10.05              Malcolm Chase: 'Samuel Smiles (and Asa Briggs) and working-class Leeds'
- 10.50              John Belchem: 'Beyond the Age of Improvement'
- 11.40              Joan Allen: 'The progressive tradition and print culture at the fin de siècle: The *Monthly Chronicle of North Country Lore and Legend 1887-1891*'
- 12.30-1.45      Lunch and EC of SSLH Executive Meeting**
- 1.30                Poster presentations of five minutes each from PhD students  
                         Ethan Hoskings 'Partnership, Paternalism and Peace'  
                         Hazel Perry – 'Trades Councils'  
                         John Kimberley – 'Industrial Relations in Birmingham in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries'
- 1.50                Eileen Yeo: 'Rival Town Halls in Glasgow: Revisioning Asa Briggs' work on 'the urban public sphere'
- 2.30                Peter Ackers and Alistair Reid: 'The Pluralist Tradition and civic society'
- 3.20                Hugh Gault: 'The BBC, Seebohm Rowntree and social reform'
- 4.00                Stephen Yeo: 'Remembering Asa Briggs'
- 4.45                Finish

**The Asa Briggs conference will be held at G.02 Lecture Theatre in the Maurice Keyworth Building, Leeds University Business School, The University of Leeds, Moorland Road, Leeds, UK**

This FREE conference is open to all. To reserve a place or find out more please send an email to Dr Quentin Outram [Q.Outram@lubs.leeds.ac.uk](mailto:Q.Outram@lubs.leeds.ac.uk)

**Direction below provided by Dr Quentin Outram**

Leeds University Business School in the University of Leeds is about 1.2 miles from the railway station and if you are arriving by train the simplest thing to do is to catch a taxi from the rank outside the station.

If you are young and fit the route is walkable but it is uphill and not what you would call 'scenic'. Nevertheless, if you are determined to walk, the route is as follows:

Come out of the station into City Square. With the Queens Hotel behind you, walk straight up Park Row. Continue up Park Row until the first major junction; this is with The Headrow. Cross straight over The Headrow and continue up Cookridge Street. At the next set of traffic lights go straight on passing Millennium Square on your left and Leeds City Museum on your right.

Turn left on to Woodhouse Lane, a busy main road. You will pass Leeds Beckett University on your left and cross over the Inner Ring Road which at this point is in a deep cutting. Leeds University campus begins in another 50 metres or so, on your left. To reach the Parkinson building, carry on up Woodhouse Lane to the Parkinson Building. This is large, has a clock tower, is faced with white-ish Portland stone, and has a wide flight of steps up to its main entrance. At this point, or a bit before, look at the campus map (link below) and plan the rest of your route. The options are, broadly, to go through the campus (quicker, quieter but more danger of losing your way) or by road around the edges of the campus (longer, noisy, but a simpler route to navigate).

Campus map is here: [http://www.leeds.ac.uk/info/5000/about/131/find\\_us](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/info/5000/about/131/find_us)