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Dear Colleague,

Conference on Modern British History

Following the successful holding of similar conferences at Strathclyde University in 2007, 2008 and 2009, David Brown of Strathclyde, James Nott of St Andrews and I are planning a Conference on Modern British History for June 2010 to be held at St Andrews. Once again we are particularly inviting members of all the Scottish universities and the northern English universities, although all are most welcome. The sessions are to be at St Andrews from lunchtime on Tuesday 22 June until 5 p.m. on Wednesday 23 June, during which we are intending to have several main papers from senior academics in the northern universities and about thirty short papers by other academics or postgraduates. Professor Bob Morris (University of Edinburgh), Professor Jeffrey Richards (University of Lancaster) and Professor Penny Summerfield (University of Manchester) are to be the main speakers. We hope there will again be coverage of the whole period since the late eighteenth century with topics in political, economic, social, cultural, religious and intellectual history. The event is part of the Modern British History Network funded by the Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland. The Network serves as a means of communication and a focal point for those working in the field of modern British history, supporting both postgraduates and established scholars in new collaborative research projects.

We should welcome short papers, whether sharply focused or wide ranging, on any topic since c. 1750. They may cover national or local developments in any aspect of the British past down to c. 2000, but must be planned to last no more than 25 minutes in delivery. Offers of such papers are invited from academics or postgraduates on a booking form available from the event's website or from James Nott at james.nott@st-andrews.ac.uk by 30 April 2010. If spaces for papers are still left after that date, there will be further opportunity to propose topics. Although we are sorry that no expenses can be paid to speakers, the cost of the whole event has been kept to a minimum thanks to the support of the Carnegie Trust. So a total charge of £65 will cover an en-suite room for the Tuesday night, all meals and refreshments. A booking form for attendance only is also available from the website or James Nott. We do hope you may be able to join what promises to be an excellent opportunity to hear papers of quality and meet colleagues with similar interests.

Yours sincerely, David Bebbington