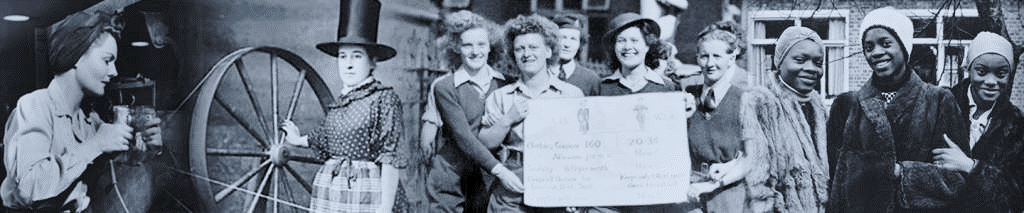
**The West of England and South Wales Women’s History Network**



**25th Anniversary Conference**

Royal Literary and Scientific Institute, Queen Square, Bath, BA1 2HN  
**Saturday 7th July 2018 9.15am – 5pm**

**Women’s Networks**



**Programme**

**9.15 Registration  
9.40 Welcome  
9.45 Keynote: Caitriona Beaumont,** 'Female Networks, Ageing and Identity in late twentieth century England: The Mothers' Union and female activism 1960-1980'

**10.30 Coffee**

**11.00 Panel One: Women’s Networks and Political Agency**

**Ellie O'Connell**, *Accion and Vida*: Peruvian feminist magazines of the 1970s and 80s and their transnational networks.

**Joy Coates,** Agents of change: Women organizing and political participation in Kenya in the 1940s and 50s

**11.00 Panel Two: Print and Women’s Networks in Colonial India**

**Mobeen Hussain**, The *Indian Ladies Magazine* as a site for English and Indian relations and transatlantic exchange (1901-1938)

**Arti Minocha**, Print and women's networks in colonial Punjab

**12.00 Panel Three: Community Networks and Social and Political Change**

**Mark Benson,** " I was speaking to a neighbour...she told me that she knew a woman who could relieve me": Female networks and the acceptance of abortion for 'social' reasons in Northern Ireland 1900-1968.  
**Christine Chapman**, Family, teachers and chapel: networks which supported and undermined young women’s engagement with education in mid-twentieth century Rhondda***.***

**12.00 Panel Four: Civil Life and Political Activism**  
**Karen Hunt**, Women’s networks on the Dorset home front, 1914-19  
**Carmen Mangion**, The Catholic Women's Suffrage Society and its reform agenda

**1.00 Lunch**

**2.00 Panel Five: Literary and Epistolary Networks**

**Jane Howells**, Interlocking networks in the tragically short life of Maud Francis Davies (1876-1913): support or challenge?

**Linda McGuire**, Born to write: inherited eloquence and female literary networks in Ancient Rome

**Rachel Smith**, "You are now mistress of your own pen": the epistolary network of the Canning family circle and its impact on the education of Elizabeth Canning's letter writing

**2.00 Panel Six: Feminism and Women’s Networks**

**Di Parkin**, Networking and letters from 1970s

**Sue Tate**, J*ust Women Magazine* (1987-97): A rural endeavour

**Cheryl Morgan**, Who gets to be a feminist?

**3.30 pm Tea**

**3.45 pm Key Note: June Hannam and Katherine Holden,** Building a Network: A history of the West of England and South Wales Women’s History Network

**4.30 AGM**

**5.00 Close**

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