



WINTER PROGRAMME 2023

The Society's Winter/Spring Programme will involve ten talks, each given by a Member or other expert in the topic involved. Some of these talks will be given by **ZOOM**, but otherwise will be given in **St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**. All talks will start at 7:30pm.

Date	Venue	Description
1 Wednesday 4 October	ZOOM	The Society's Annual General Meeting conducted by the Chairman with a short talk by our President Professor Robert Fox entitled " The Garnetts of Barbon and Firbank "
2 Wednesday 18 October NOTE CORRECTED DATE	St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh	Lydia Gray will speak about the incidence of illegitimacy in the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries in Cumberland. Her talk will be based on her research in the village of Addingham, near Penrith. It was published in THE LOCAL HISTORIAN (the Journal of the British Association For Local History).
3 Wednesday 1 November	ZOOM	Our Chairman, Kevin Lancaster has called his talk " 937 and All That ". He will focus on his belief that the changes to the ancient parish of Sedbergh which were made by the Norwegian Vikings, when they sailed from Ireland across the Irish Sea to the west coast of England, were as great as those made by the latter-day Vikings – the Normans – 130 years later... What did the Vikings find here? What was their impact? What was their legacy?
4 Wednesday 15 November	St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh	Suzanne Tiplady lives in Grizedale, near Coniston Water. She has written widely about the history, the community, and the early industry of her home area. She is going to speak about " 300 Years of Schooling in Satterthwaite and Rusland – how an isolated Cumbrian community educated its children "
5 Friday 8 December	Sedbergh Golf Clubhouse	Society Christmas Dinner
6 Wednesday 13 December	St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh	Jean Briggs , who is a successful local historical novelist, will describe how she has combined 'fact' and 'fiction' in her novels, giving evidence from her own writing. You will hear some details of the narratives and characters of her twelve publications.