

Institute of Physics – London & South East Branch – Retired Members Section

Visit to Cambridge's new Biomedical Campus on Thursday 26 October 2017

This visit has been organised by Bill Metcalf.

We shall tour Cambridge's new Biomedical Campus where education, research, patient care and commercial R&D are co-located so that successful ideas can be shared and results transferred early into clinical use.

Description: Cambridge is changing very fast, especially in the area of biomedical research. The [Cambridge Biomedical Campus](#) covers ~70 acres and is host to leading drug-discovery organisations such as AstraZeneca, GSK, Cancer Research UK, a Molecular Malignancy Laboratory, the Laboratory of Molecular Biology, the Cambridge Brain Bank and much more. It currently employs ~12,000 people which is expected to rise to 16,000 by 2020. In addition, the Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation is co-located and employs a further 9,000 staff.

We will be given a general introduction to the Campus (including a tour) plus a visit to Cancer Research UK and AstraZeneca. Note: AstraZeneca will be completing the move into their magnificent new headquarters in 2018 and we will be given a unique preview of the facilities.

Where and when to meet: we will meet at Pret à Manger in the completely updated square in front of Cambridge railway station; for those with memories of Cambridge railway station, this will be an experience in itself! We plan to depart from Pret at 11.00 by mini-bus.

Getting there:

By train: trains approximately every 30 minutes from King's Cross.

By car: recommend using the Park & Ride site at Trumpington.

Exit 11 from M11, turn left into Cambridge (keep in left-hand lane) and then into the Trumpington Park & Ride site on the left.

Do not use the Park & Ride bus but catch the Busway to the railway station: they leave approximately every 16 minutes with a journey time of ~15 minutes. £3.30 return from the larger of the two ticket machines (well signed!). Loos available at the site.

Alight at the railway station and make your way to Pret in Station Square.

Lunch: We will take lunch at the Frank Lee Centre on the Biomedical Campus.

Timetable:

- 10.00 Meet at Pret à Manger, Station Square, Cambridge CB1
- 10.45 Travel by mini-bus to the Cambridge Biomedical Campus
- 11.00 Talk & tour of the Campus by mini-bus
- 12.00 Visit Cancer Research UK laboratories
- 1.00 Lunch at the Frank Lee Centre on the Campus (£1.00 entrance + lunch at cost)
- 2.00 Collected by mini-bus and drive to AstraZeneca
- 2.15 Visit AstraZeneca
- 3.15 Depart by mini-bus with drop off at the Trumpington Park & Ride and Cambridge station.

Some details of the programme may change.

Size of party Maximum size of party 23 (dictated by the minibus)

Cost: £27 plus cost of lunch

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