## The Old Ilminsterians Association

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Dear Old Ilminsterian,

Please find below, details of our 2016 Re-union on Saturday 9th July.

11.30 am Church Service at St. Mary's. All welcome.
13.00 pm Lunch at The Shrubbery Hotel. All welcome
6.00 pm AGM at The Shrubbery Hotel. Old Ilminsterians only
7.30 pm Annual Dinner. Old Ilminsterians only

This year our own Rev. Paul Winks (56-63) will be taking the service and after lunch we will be showing some video of 1960s school sports days for those who may be interested, courtesy of Malcolm Plaster. We have two guest speakers in the evening, our local MP Marcus Fysh and Neil Follett, another Old Boy. Neil attended Sandhurst, was commissioned into the Royal Artillery and served 4 tours in Northern Ireland before retiring as Adjutant in 1979. Following a brief spell in Industry, he studied for a Theology degree at Cambridge before being ordained and serving a large parish in Cambridgeshire. He was appointed a Chaplain of Westminster Abbey and served as Chaplain to the Lord Lieutenant before emigrating to Canada in 2001 where he joined the personal staff of the Bishop of Niagara. I am sure both will provide interesting and entertaining highlights to the dinner.

Attendance in recent years has been waning, especially at the dinner, so our President is asking everyone to make contact with "your year" to see if we can bring some new faces to the day. Some people have been identified as "Champions" for a particular year and they will be hopefully making contact with as many as they can so please support them and come along. We've held prices so hopefully this will help!!

With new management at The Shrubbery, arrangements for providing number attending has changed and I have to provide final numbers on the 1 $^{\rm st}$  July for both the lunch and dinner. I am afraid there can be  $\underline{\rm NO}$  changes after!! The Shrubbery Hotel is offering B & B for £70 a single and £90 a double for that weekend, so please contact them direct, mentioning the Association to get the deal.

Finally, I would again like to express our gratitude to those who so generously give money in support of the Association. With no annual subscription and a desire to keep the Re-union costs to a minimum, these donations are crucial.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Regards,

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Replies by 30<sup>th</sup> June please.

## Numbers will be provided to the hotel on 1<sup>st</sup> July - no changes after.

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	Surname	)				
Address (change if necessary)						
I would like to receive the annual letter by email in future	Email ad	dress				
Years at school	19	to	19			

Event	No of People	Names	Cost			
Lunch @ £15.00 each			£			
Annual Dinner @ £20.00 each			£			
Tie at £15.00 each	Qty		£			
Donation			£			
Total			£			
Cheques to "The Old Ilminsterians Association"						

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