

THE CHAPELS SOCIETY  
SUMMER VISIT TO BATLEY AND DEWSBURY  
SATURDAY 8 JULY 2023

For our summer visit, which will include the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Chapels Society and the annual Andrew Worth Lecture, we will be in Batley and Dewsbury, part of the same conurbation in the historic Heavy Woollen District of West Yorkshire. We will be visiting a number of representative chapels from the 19<sup>th</sup>-century heyday of industry, and will be also passing several closed or inaccessible chapels – mostly of Methodist origin.

The day begins at **Batley Central Methodist Church** in **Commercial Street, Batley**, where we will meet from 10.30am for an 11.00am start to the tour. We will proceed to Dewsbury (a short journey by public bus) for a visit to **Dewsbury Baptist Church, Manor Road, Dewsbury** from 12.15pm. The Annual General Meeting will take place here, along with this year's Andrew Worth Lecture: *From meeting in private houses to the building of meeting-houses: religious Dissent and the early buildings used for worship, 1662–1710*, presented by Dr David Wykes. A short walk will take us to **Longcauseway Chapel** (Methodist and United Reformed) at **Princess of Wales Precinct, Dewsbury**, which we will visit from 2.15pm. From there, we will visit our final chapel of the day at 3.15pm after another short walk: **Providence Independent Methodist Chapel** at **Thornton Street, Westtown, Dewsbury**. We will return to Dewsbury railway station for around 5.00pm.

The cost for the day is **£10.00** for Chapels Society members and **£12.00** for non-members, including hot drinks and donations. Note that lunch will not be provided on this visit: please remember to bring provisions. Please fill in the form below and send it to Gerard Charmley by **24 June 2023**. Notes will be sent by email unless a stamped addressed envelope (C5 size: 229mm x 162mm) is supplied and the box at the bottom is ticked.

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I enclose a cheque for £ \_\_\_\_\_ (please tick the appropriate box)

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