

## 'From Somerville to Westminster, 1893 – 1946'

A one-day Symposium and room-naming ceremony to be held at

## SOMERVILLE COLLEGE, OXFORD

to commemorate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Eleanor Rathbone (1872 – 1946) Somerville's first Member of Parliament

## Eleanor became President of the NUWSS in 1919, following Mrs Fawcett's post-war resignation,

## Friday 22 January 2016 9.30 am - 4.30pm

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Professor Susan Pedersen, Professor of History, Columbia University, New York. Professor Pedersen will discuss the network of female support that underlies Rathbone's achievements.

Confirmed speakers: Dr Julie Gottlieb, University of Sheffield. 'Eleanor Rathbone and the Women Churchillians: The Gender Politics of Anti-Appeasement.' Professor Pat Thane, King's College, London (title to be announced). Dr Frank Prochaska (title to be announced)

The conference organisers welcome proposals for papers covering the period 1893-1946 which explore campaigns and issues with which Eleanor was engaged, such as, but not limited to:

- Politics, national and international
- Education
- Social change

- Citizenship and suffrage
- Family and child poverty
- Welfare reform
- Women in the public sphere

Please submit an abstract of 200 – 300 words to Susan Cohen (<u>drsusancohen@gmail.com</u>) and Lesley Urbach (lcurbach@aol.com) by 20 September 2015.

The cost, which includes a two-course buffet lunch, all teas, coffees and biscuits, is  $\pm 25.00$  for delegates and  $\pm 12.50$  for students.

For enquiries and to book a place please e mail: Dr Susan Cohen drsusancohen@gmail.com

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