# IOP Institute of Physics London and South East Branch Retired Members Section REMS visit to FCO update & CHRISTMAS DINNER Thursday 13 December 2012

This meeting has been organised by George Freeman

This is the day for the two half-day tours of the Foreign & Commonwealth Office. For lunch we can have a classical Christmas Dinner at the Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE) or else we can find our own. The FCO programme for the afternoon is slightly delayed. Both groups please meet me, George, at ICE.

If you want the dinner please tell John Belling. We have to book the tables as the restaurant will be busy. John will contact you when the places have been booked; then you should send a cheque payable to Institute of Physics for the appropriate amount to him. Pre-ordering is not required.

Those who do not want the meal should find their own either in Trafalgar Square, Victoria Street or elsewhere.

The <u>first (morning) group</u>, please **meet** in the cafe of the Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE) for coffee etc., One Great George Street, SW1P 3AA, from 10:00 to 10:45. I will walk with you to the FCO, pass through security and meet the guide in reception.

The <u>second (afternoon) group</u>, please assemble at the entrance to ICE at 14:45; those having lunch in ICE please meet me in the foyer of ICE at 12.45.

If you are not on either of the tours but would like to have lunch please meet me at 12.45 as for group 2.

#### TRAVEL

The nearest station is Westminster. Use exit 6.

## TIMETABLE

10:00 - 10:45	First group meet in the cafe of the Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE)
10:45 - 11:00	First group: walk with George to FCO
11:00 - 12:30	First group: Tour of FCO (John Belling in charge)
12:30	First group: walk to ICE for lunch
12:45	Second group taking lunch, and those just having lunch with no tour: meet George in
	the foyer of ICE
13:00 - 14:45	All: lunch at ICE
14:45	Second group: assemble on steps of ICE & walk to FCO (George Freeman)
15:00 - 16:30	Second group: Tour of FCO (George Freeman in charge)

LATE COMERS Please contact George or John and we will tell you where we are.

## CONTACTS

Before the meeting John Belling john.a.belling.secrems@gmail.com 07986 379935 On the day only - George Freeman 07941 916 944 or John's mobile.

## COSTS

**£24.50 for 2 courses or £26.00 for 3 courses**. This is for the set menu.

Wine at cost at £3.20 to £4.00 per 125ml glass; £18.00 upwards per bottle.

## Set Choice Christmas

## Smoked salmon and trout

Smoked trout and horseradish mousse with smoked salmon, citrus watercress dressing

**Duck & port pâté** Rich and silky duck pâté served with Orange chutney and oatcakes

#### **Risotto** (V)

Cranberry, chestnut and chive risotto with Parmesan flakes and truffle oil

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**Turkey** Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without our succulent turkey with all the trimmings

#### Fish pie

The ever popular fish pie with cheesy mash topping, served with buttered broccoli, cauliflower and sprouts

#### Mushroom (V)

Mushroom and chestnut Wellington with fondant potato, curly kale and tomato basil sauce

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#### Chilled mulled wine shot

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#### Granny Wilk's Christmas pudding

Made with the chef's secret family recipe dating back to the mists of time, lovingly served with brandy sauce

Mandarin, raspberry & pink Champagne cheesecake

Classic biscuit based cheesecake with a pink champagne glaze

Stilton and Port chutney

#### A portion of Stilton served with port chutney,

grapes and crackers