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THE NORTHAMPTON CONFERENCE 1985

The 28th Annual Conference of the Society was held in Northampton from 12 to 15 April 1985 on the theme of 'Village, town and church'. The opening lecture on Friday, 12 April was given by Christopher Taylor on 'The Northamptonshire landscape'. The following lectures were held on Saturday: 'Church development in Northamptonshire' (Hugh Richmond), 'Medieval wall paintings in Northamptonshire' (David Park), 'From monastery and minster to chantry chapel' (David Parsons), 'The medieval houses of Northamptonshire' (Paul Woodfield), 'The medieval pottery of Northamptonshire' (Varian Denham), 'Raunds' (Alan Hannan), 'The small towns of Northamptonshire' (Glenn Foard), and 'Saxon and Medieval Northampton' (John Williams). The excursion on Sunday visited Canons Ashby earthworks and chapel, Culworth castle and village, Marston St Lawrence church, Brackley, and King's Sutton, Croughton and Slapton churches. On Monday Brixworth, Earl's Barton, Higham Ferrers and Raunds were visited by coach and the conference ended with an excursion on foot around medieval Northampton.

The Society is extremely grateful to all the lecturers and to those who acted as guides on site without whose help the conference would not have been such a great success.

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