

Food Study Group Annual Review

1. Established: 1994
2. Current Membership Figure: 362 Jiscmail subscribers; 58 members
3. SG Expenditure: £67.00 SG Income: £903.80 Closing Balance: £7080.07
4. Aim/s of SG: The group aims to encourage the sociological analysis, both theoretical and empirical, of all aspects of food production and consumption and to encourage cross-disciplinary links among researchers and research users in this area.
5. Review of Year: The group welcomed a number new members over the last 12 months.

6. Key Activities during year 2016:

Events in 2016 included on Monday 13th June, 2016, Doing Food Research: Qualitative Approaches 10.30 – 17.00 at the University of Westminster. Following the success of our previous methods workshops in 2014, this one-day workshop was hosted by the British Sociological Association Food Study Group and the University of Westminster. In response to expressions of interest, the first session focussed on applied and policy-related food research. The second session examined the range of exciting new visual and mobiles methods developed for food research. Both sessions were facilitated by experienced social scientists currently or recently working in these fields.

On Thursday 15th December 2016, The British Sociological Association Food Study Group hosted a visit to the 'Feeding the 400' exhibition at The Foundling Museum, Bloomsbury. The exhibition considered a fundamental yet little-examined aspect of life at the Foundling Hospital – food. Curator Jane Levi gave an introductory talk and Q&A with Jane continued over lunch in the gallery café.

Details of future and past events may be found on the study group webpage.

7. Concluding Remarks: The Conference Committee has received a very good response to the call for abstracts for the Food & Society 2017 Conference that will be held in June at the University of Westminster.

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