Our understanding of the history of life on Earth relies heavily on the fossil record, and especially on rare cases of exceptional preservation, where soft parts of animals and entire soft-bodied animals are preserved. Such exceptionally preserved fossils provide an unparalleled view of animal palaeobiology and the true nature of animal biodiversity.

On-going research has recovered spectacular fossils from Wenlock Series Silurian rocks (~425 million years) of Herefordshire in the Welsh Borderland. Representing one of the rare Silurian exceptionally preserved fossil deposits, this biota of global importance contains representatives of many major groups of animals, including molluscs, echinoderms, brachiopods, polychaetes, and most especially a range of arthropods.

Extraordinary General Meeting 19th Apr @ 7:30 pm @ LJMU Rm 137

Council propose the following modifications to the LGS Constitution 8.1 Officers

Add a Programme Secretary and a Website Manager.

10.5 Programme Secretary.

The Programme Secretary shall organize and co-ordinate the Programme.

10.5 becomes 10.6, 10.7 becomes 10.8 and so on.

10.15 Website Manager.

The Website Manager shall be responsible for the development and management of the LGS website and communicating with the membership via email.

Election of Officers and Members of Council 2016/2017 Tues 19th Apr

The following are proposed by Council to be elected for the 2016/2017 Session. President: ME Williams, Vice-President JD Marshall, Hon Programme Secretary NC Hunt, Hon Sec J D Crossley, Hon Asst Sec G R Tresise, Hon Treas GT Billington, Hon Asst Treas N C Hunt, Hon Excursion Sec J Iley, Hon Ed (NW Geol) G Sherwood, Hon Librarian MJ Collins, Hon Archivist A Morgan, Hon Publicity Officer S Hurrell, Hon Website Manager TJP Stevens.

<u>Ordinary Members of Council</u> – A Clague, R Leong, J Braithwaite, R Humphreys, C Gregson, J Brinkley, K Shaw and P Firth.