

# THE HEARTH TAX IN ESSEX

## Conference and book launch

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at the  
Essex Record Office



Hearth Tax returns are invaluable for family, house and local history research on the 17<sup>th</sup> century. This conference, hosted by The Friends of Historic Essex, coincides with the publication of an edition of the Essex 1670 Hearth Tax Return by the British Records Society, in association with the Essex Society for Archaeology and History and the British Academy Hearth Tax project at the University of Roehampton. Copies of the edition will be available for purchase on the day.

### PROGRAMME

- 10.00 a.m. Registration and coffee
- 10.30 a.m. Welcome: Dr Chris Thornton (Friends of Historic Essex/VCH)
- 10.45 a.m. “The Hearth Tax and Essex history”  
Professor Henry French (University of Exeter)
- 11.45 a.m. “Using the hearth tax for the study of local history”  
Dr Catherine Ferguson, Dr John Price and Dr Andrew Wareham  
(The British Academy Hearth Tax Project and the British Record Society)
- 12.45 p.m. Lunch
- 1.45 p.m. Book Launch: ESSEX MICHAELMAS 1670 HEARTH TAX RETURN (2012)
- 2.15 pm. “Surnames and the Hearth Tax”  
Professor David Hey (University of Sheffield)
- 3.15 p.m. Close



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### Registration

Space is limited and so it is essential for you to book your place to attend this conference. Please detach and send this slip to: Dr Chris Thornton, Hearth Tax Conference, 75 Victoria Road, Maldon, Essex, CM9 5HE, to arrive by **Friday 6th July 2012** at the latest.

Name: .....

Address:.....

Tel. or e-mail:.....

Please reserve me ..... place/places at the Essex Hearth Tax conference on Saturday 14th July 2012 @ £20 each (lunch included). Reservations will be recorded, but if you require a ticket please enclose a SAE.

Please make cheques payable to ‘The Friends of Historic Essex’. If special dietary requirements please advise at time of booking.