Cosmo07 @ Sussex: August 21st to 25th 2007

Arrival information

Getting to Sussex

Full instructions for getting to the University of Sussex campus, on the outskirts of Brighton, are available at via the conference WWW site, which you can find at `www.cosmo07.info`. The campus lies about six kilometres from the centre of Brighton, with excellent bus and train connections.

Train: The local train station is FALMER (buy your ticket with this destination), which most people will reach by changing trains at Brighton. At Falmer station take the underpass beneath the motorway and you are on campus.

Coach/bus: If you come by coach to Brighton Coach station, you can either take a taxi to campus [likely cost 10 to 15 pounds] or catch a number 25 bus nearby in front of Brighton Pavilion [fare £1.50 (pay driver), journey time approx 20 minutes]. The buses come onto the university campus.

We advise against bringing a car if you are staying in Brighton unless your hotel provides parking, as otherwise parking there is both difficult and expensive. Parking on campus is readily available, but you need a parking permit which you can request (free) when you register. All campus locations are short walks from each other. If you have special access requirements, eg from registered disability, please let us know in advance and we will make special arrangements.

On-campus accommodation

For those who have booked on campus accommodation with us, you will be in Lewes Court towards the rear of campus, as indicated on the attached campus map.

Monday arrivals: If you are arriving on Monday, your room keys can be picked up at Lewes Court itself until 7pm. After 7pm, you need to go to the 24 hour reception in York House to get your keys. Both locations are shown in the campus map attached. There is no conference registration on Monday; that is done on Tuesday morning. Please be aware that there will be no food outlets open on campus on Monday evening; if you need a meal you should either buy something to bring with you or stop off for a meal in Brighton on the way.

People arriving once the conference has begun need to go to Lewes Court to collect their key. If you arrive after about 5.30pm Lewes Court reception will have closed and your key can be collected from York House 24 hour reception.

While normal check-out time is 9am, we are told that in practise you can leave luggage in your rooms until 1pm, which is especially useful for those leaving right at the end of the conference.

Morning breakfast for those staying at Lewes Court is on Level One of Bramber House (the building also containing the conference centre where the afternoon sessions take place) from Tuesday to Friday

Left: Chichester Lecture Theatre and Chichester building entrance. Right: Bramber House.

inclusive, from 8am to 8.45am. On Saturday and Sunday morning breakfast is in IDS (the Institute for Development Studies), from 8.15am to 8.45am.

If you have yet to arrange your accommodation, we can probably still get you into on-campus accommodation if you wish. Please e-mail us at `cosmo07@sussex.ac.uk` *to check.*

Meeting location

The morning plenary talks take place in the Chichester Lecture Theatre, shown above and on the campus map. This is part of the Chichester I building. The main entrance to the building is at the middle level (halfway up or down the four flights of stairs on its south side) through the revolving doors then turn right.

The lunches and afternoon parallel sessions are in the conference centre, which is on Level 3 of Bramber House, also shown above and on the map. It is about 100 metres from the Chichester Lecture Theatre. Dinners will also be in Bramber House, downstairs on Level One.

Registration

Registration will open on Tuesday morning at 9am in the foyer of Chichester I, next to the Chichester Lecture Theatre. Please register as soon as possible, as your badge is needed to get your meals. There will be a registration desk open at all times during the conference in the active venue (Chichester Lecture Theatre foyer in the mornings, Conference Centre in the afternoons).

The registration pack will include a receipt for payment made.

Programme

The current conference programme is on the conference WWW site. In order to be as inclusive as possible, we have made some extensions to the lengths of some of the parallel sessions in order to be able to cope with demand. The schedule is quite tight and we need to ask all participants to ensure that they stay within the scheduled time.

Talks can be presented from your own laptop, or you can bring a memory stick to install your talk on a different laptop (in that case you should consult with your convenor well before the session starts). We ask all speakers to check that their talk works during the break before their session.

We will seek to collect PDFs of all talks to post on a WWW site after the event. There is no formal proceedings volume.

Internet access

The conference internet access is WIRELESS; connection instructions will be given on arrival. In the Lewes Court accommodation, internet access is WIRED. To use it, you will need to bring a standard ethernet cable with you. There is no wireless access at Lewes Court.

To access the internet you need to have supplied your MAC address(es), which you should have done when you registered. Note that your machine will have separate MAC addresses for wireless and wired connection. You can supply them to the conference centre after you arrive but they may make a charge of £2.50.
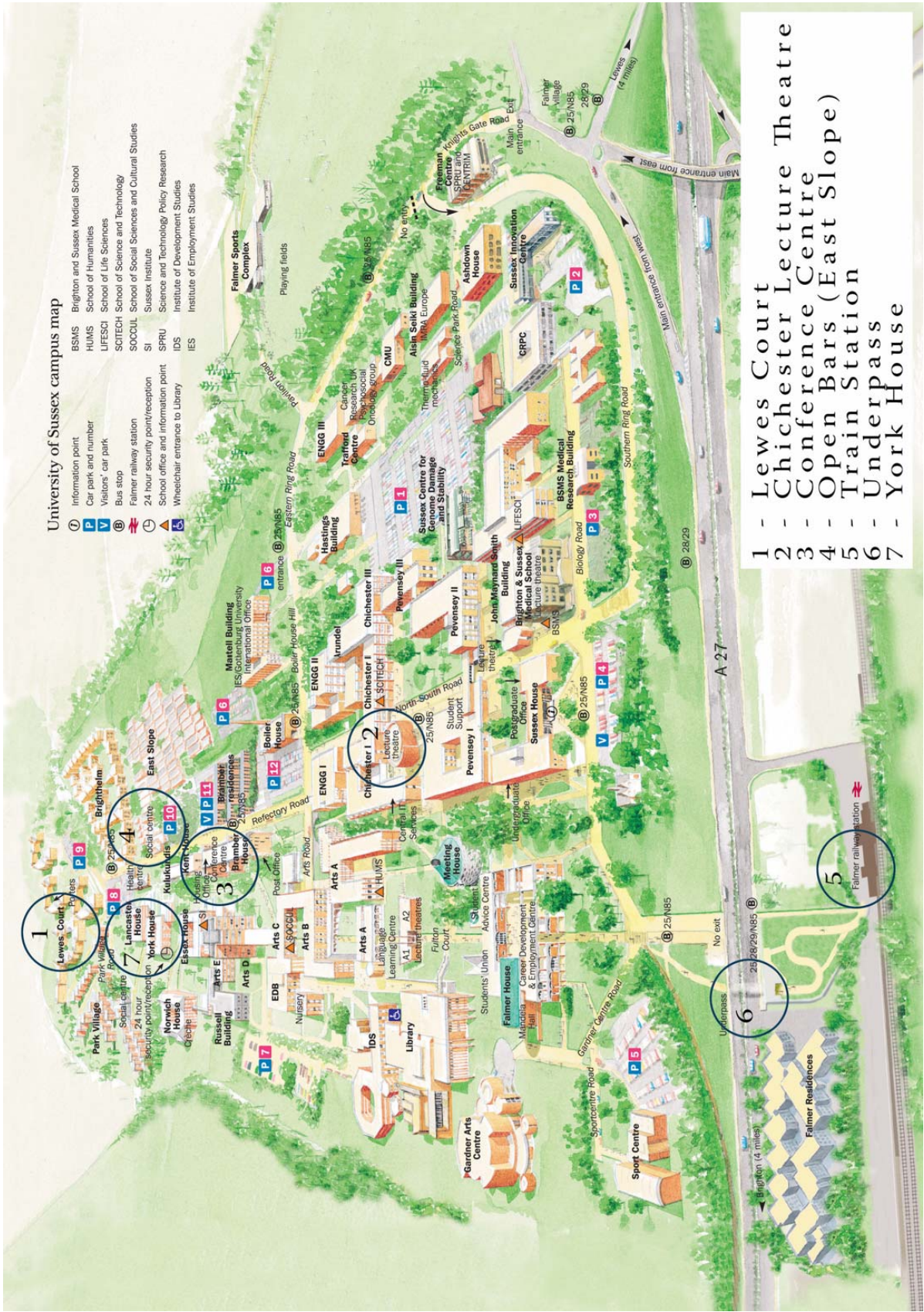
Reception

There will be a conference reception, with food and wine, in Bramber House Level One on Tuesday soon after the sessions end.

Conference dinner

The conference dinner will be on Friday at Plumpton Racecourse, just north of the South Downs hills. Coach transport there and back will be provided. We expect an excellent event; there will be a wine reception followed by a three-course meal, plus live entertainment of various sorts. Bring something warm as it will cool down quickly after dark.

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1 - Lewes Court
2 - Chichester Lecture Theatre
3 - Conference Centre
4 - Open Bars (East Slope)
5 - Train Station
6 - Underpass
7 - York House