# S.S.A.E Local Chesterfield Group

Are proud to present

The Great Aten Temple

with Prof. Barry Kemp

# Saturday, 20th July 2019

10.45am to 3.30pm\* Doors open 10.15am Lecture Theatre, Chesterfield Central Library, New Beetwell Street, Chesterfield, Derbyshire, S40 1QN

**Two Lectures**, including two 10-minute breaks, a 1 hour 15 minutes lunch break, raffle and a question & answer session.

MORNING: The observation of sunrise at Amarna. AFTERNOON: The different kinds of activity at the Great Aten Temple

Tickets SSAE members £10, non-members £12, on the day £15 to all\*\* \*Timings may change. \*\*Please note tickets are limited and may not be available on the day. Tickets are non-refundable.

A buffet lunch\*\*\* is available at a cost of £7 per person.

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## Morning:

## The observation of sunrise at Amarna.

The recent re-examination of the front of the Great Aten Temple has revealed that a long staircase ran up to the stone pylons and presumably ended in a platform located between the pylons.

This is likely to be the structure shown in the tomb pictures as if it were in the first court. Although shown as a place of offerings, its location would have made it an ideal place for the observation of sunrise. A series of reconstructions by Paul Docherty explores what Akhenaten might have seen each morning. Other places at Amarna where eastfacing platforms were built are also considered.

### AFTERNOON: The different kinds of activity at the Great Aten Temple,

as revealed by the material found in the excavations. Objects found during excavation belong to different categories. One comprises offerings, another comprises debris from the builders of the temple, a third is a collection of objects of varied characteristics which, in individual cases, might or might not reflect the aim of communicating with the gods. To what extent was the public admitted to the outer enclosure around the main temple?

\*\*\*Buffet lunch with be a selection of finger foods, teas and coffee and dessert and will be served in a Meeting room next to the Browser café There are also a number of cafés, pubs and eateries within walking distance.

Please note Confirmations will be sent by email Please make cheques payable to **SSAEL cal** and send with this slip to: The Great Aten Temple, 2A Birch lane, Hollingwood, Chesterfield, Derbyshire, S43 2JZ.

You can also pay by bank transfer, please <u>mail: ssaelocal@g</u>mail.com or Phone 07743820669 for details How to find us: Chesterfield Central Library, New Beetwell Street, Chesterfield, Derbyshire Satnav: 540 1QN 7 miles off, Junction 29 M1

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#### A few Hotels within: Short Taxi/Car drive

Premier inn Travel Lodge Casa Hotel

#### Traveling by car and if you want to make a weekend of it, there is also near:

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