**Concorde**

**Talk by Gordon Bartley**

Host for Former British Airways Concorde, Manchester

**Thursday 22nd February 11:00**

The Villa, Wrea Green, Kirkham, PR4 2PE

<https://thevillawreagreen.co.uk/>

Gordon Bartley has had a lifetime career in the aeronautical industry. He was invited to host the former British Airways Concorde located at Manchester Airport. This post he held for ten years. The talk will cover the history from the early consideration of developing a British supersonic airliner in the 1950s through the first commercial flights by Concorde in 1976 to the tragic Concorde crash whilst taking off from Paris in July 2000 and its retirement in 2003.

Parking and disabled facilities are provided, and tea/coffee will be available on arrival from 10.30am with the talk commencing at 11.00 am. This will be followed by an optional 3‑course lunch, costing £25. All members, their partners and guests, are very welcome.

Prior booking is essential, (form below) whether staying for lunch or not, as space is limited. Early application is strongly advised.

**2023/24 Programme Overleaf**

**BOOKING FORM**

**Please note we are transitioning to electronic banking and would prefer, if you can, bookings by email and payment by Bank Transfer. Cheques still acceptable!**

Business Current Account: Friends of IET Lancs & Cumbria.

Account number: 20812353 Sort code: 01-00-61 Reference – Your surname and date of event

Please send your application by 12th February 2024 to  
Frank Andrews, [frabaa@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:frabaa@blueyonder.co.uk) 14 St Nicolas Grove, Cartmel, Wrea Green, Preston, Lancashire PR4 2WB. 01772 685427

Any queries to Frank above. Applications will be confirmed by email or post.

Please reserve………........ places for the talk & lunch/talk only (please delete as applicable) at The The Villa, Wrea Green, Kirkham, PR4 2PE, on 22nd February 2024

The optional lunch is £25 per person. I have paid by Bank Transfer/enclose a cheque payable to ‘Friends of the IET, Lancs & Cumbria’ (delete that which not applicable). I attach a receipt for my electronic payment (if applicable).

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Please give forenames and surnames of all those applied for, and please STATE any special dietary requirements such as VEGAN, VEGETARIAN etc

Name(s)……………………………………………………………………………………...……………...…

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Special dietary requirements: ……………………………………………………………………………….

Contact details, Phone, Email address, or address, that we can use to send acknowledgement. Please indicate if you wish us to send you directions

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**All meetings are 10.30 for 11.00am**

19th October 2023 CANCELLED

30th November 2023 B4RN (Broadband for Rural Networks) by Martyn Welch at Netherwood

22nd February 2024 Concorde by Gordon Bartley at The Villa

16th May 2024 Devil’s Porridge by John Anstey at Shap Wells