NSS makes history for the future

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The British Library's announcement last week that it will archive much of today's online material for future researchers has been welcomed by the National Secular Society.

As part of the announcement the British Library has created a quirky list of "The Curator's 100" sites that it thinks will be of particular interest to future generations. This includes things like The NHS, the Met Office, eBay, Amazon – and the National Secular Society.

The British Library describes us as "The oldest secularist campaigning organisation in the UK, now continuing its campaign online after more than a century."

Terry Sanderson, president of the National Secular Society, said: "This is wonderful news, and a big compliment that the British Library should choose the NSS's site from the millions that are on the web at present."

Mr Sanderson added: "We often get emails from historians and researchers asking for details of events and people who were active in the nineteenth and early twentieth century but, apart from the big stars like Bradlaugh and Foote, little has been preserved about the day-to-day activities of the NSS in those times. So much of our history has been lost, but now every detail will be there at the British Library for future researchers to find."

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