

Provisional Programme for 2022

All members of Stowmarket U3A are welcome to join any of the visits during the year. Registering for and, if the trip requires it, paying for each event at the monthly meeting(s) prior to each outing will normally be required. To keep costs reasonable most of the trips will be by car share, using the Co-op car park at Combs Ford as the meeting point. You can call or email me to get more information or to book your place on visits.

21 Apr **KERSEY MILL**, Hadleigh, by car share.

A guided tour of the restored water mill, water gardens and sunken Mediterranean gardens. A light lunch together at The Miller's Kitchen followed by some retail therapy at the on-site outlets.

19 May **THE PLACE FOR PLANTS**, East Bergholt, by car share.

A tour of the gardens with lunch in a local hostelry. An opportunity to visit the unique ground level bells of the local church.

23 Jun **HOLM HOUSE GARDENS**, Drinkstone, by car share

A visit to these immaculate 10 acre gardens, including an orchard, parterre and borders, a woodland walk and much more. Afternoon tea at the conclusion of the visit.

18 Aug **COLUMBINE HALL AND GARDENS**, Stowupland

Afternoon guided tour of this medieval moated farmhouse and restored gardens. The visit includes afternoon tea. By car share or the more energetic can walk there from Stowmarket

15 Sep **DOWN HOUSE AND GARDENS**, Kent. By minibus

The long-time home of Charles Darwin, this English Heritage property is a treasure house of the Darwin's work and family life.

20 Oct **THE LONG SHOP MUSEUM**, Leiston. By coach or minibus

Talk and museum visit, time afterwards in Leiston with opportunity for lunch

17 Nov **YEAR END LUNCH** Venue to be decided

In December it is hoped to repeat the successful wreath making session from last year.

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