

Autumn Visit to Southwell

Saturday 7 October 2017

St Albans
CIVIC SOCIETY

Southwell is a star location with two major buildings of extreme interest to enthusiasts.

Southwell Minster is rich in historical and architectural interest with fine examples of five main styles of architecture, especially Norman and Early English. The 13th century Chapter House is one of the Minster's most glorious features with some of the finest examples of naturalistic carvings in the country.



The Workhouse is the most complete workhouse in existence. Built in 1824 as a place of last resort for the destitute. Its austere architecture was influenced by prison design and its harsh regime became a blueprint for workhouses throughout the country.

ITINERARY

08.00 (prompt!) departure from **Chime Square** with Marshalls Coaches (with on board facilities).

11.00 approx arrive Southwell. Some free time to explore the historic town centre and the Archbishop's Palace.

12.30 Conducted tour with film of Southwell Minster.

14.00 Short coach journey to The Workhouse, Southwell (**optional**).

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16.00 Coach from Workhouse via the Minster to pick up those who stayed in town. To Bottesford village.

17.00 approx arrive The Thatch Restaurant, Bottesford for two course dinner (**optional**).

Non-diners could stroll around the village river area noting the medieval church said to have the highest steeple in Leicestershire.

Alternatively, they can relax with a drink and bar snack in The Thatch conservatory or garden. Pay your own way.

18.30/19.00 Coach leaves Bottesford.

21.00 approx arrive St Albans.

COST

£22.00 per person, covering the coach (including driver's gratuity), conducted tour and film of Southwell Minster.

Plus £8.20 for (**optional**) tour of The Workhouse including film and audio guide. National Trust members free with membership card (please bring).

Plus £25.00 for (**optional**) two course dinner at The Thatch. Includes Stilton & Leicester Cheese on Water Biscuit as hors d'oeuvres, for diners only.

HOW TO BOOK

- Fill in the form below
- Make cheque(s) payable to St Albans Civic Society
- **If no email address**, please enclose a **stamped addressed envelope** for your booking confirmation/receipt
- Send form and cheque(s) to Brian Holmes, 16 Trevelyan Place, St Stephen's Hill, St Albans AL1 2DT
Enquiries to Brian Holmes
01727 843389
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Visit to Southwell booking form

NAME

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If you don't have an email address, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope for your booking confirmation/receipt.

Please tick as appropriate

I wish to book ticket(s) for the **coach and Minster** @ £22.00

I wish to book ticket(s) for **The Workhouse** @ £8.20

I wish to book place(s) for the **two course dinner at The Thatch** @ £25.00

I enclose cheque(s) for £ made payable to St Albans Civic Society