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### 1. Letter from our Chairman

I am starting this in mid-April with the weather having been really good and being able to sit out in the garden and enjoy the spring flowers with a gin and tonic in hand. Whilst bluebells look nice and give a splash of colour they seem to have appeared from nowhere and multiply so quickly. Major works required to start curtailing them. Hopefully the weather will hold up, and we will be able to enjoy the lovely surroundings in which we live and visit our local National Trust properties. Don't forget if visiting Monk's House you need to pre-book a day and time.

The support for the early trips being organized by Bob and Jenny have again been well supported and I suspect by the time you read this the bookings will have increased for July and September.

The trip to Hatchlands was enjoyed by all even if the weather was a little chilly and a report is later in this edition. Chris and I have been unable to support the holiday as it is a very special year being our 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Now we need to be serious about the National Trust Seaford Association which as you all know, has been thriving for over 40 years. We have seen so many other National Trust groups close due to lack of

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members coming forward. Please do not let that happen to Seaford.

I have mentioned several times my position, in that I agreed to be your Chairman for 3 years and by the time the AGM comes round in March 2027 I will have done five and a half years. It is time to hand over the reins. President Ann Thompson, a founder member, has moved away to Eastbourne to be near her daughter. She has tendered her resignation as President because of this. I intend to write a full appreciation of her contribution to the life and work of NTSA, and this will appear in the next newsletter.

Bob and Jenny Tyler have organized a considerable number of trips over the last five years and are now wishing to hand over to a new organizer, partly on health grounds. It has been a great 5 years of trips, all well supported and a massive thank you to them both. So, the situation is that by March 2027, we need people to come forward for President, Chairman, and Day trips & ticketing organizer. Please contact me if you are interested in coming forward to keep the National Trust alive in Seaford and helping our local National Trust properties.

Please enjoy the rest of the summer and continue to support the trips being organized, and afternoon tea at Seaford Golf Club on the 18<sup>th</sup> August.

I look forward to seeing you at our next speaker meeting.

*Arthur Bradbury, Chairman*

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2. Administrative Matters

Our fully paid-up membership as at 6 April 2026 stands at 286 people in 219 households. This is an increase in the numbers reported in the Spring 2026 Newsletter which is very encouraging. Overall we have had 21 new members since that last report having lost a few at the same time. We welcome these new members and hope they will enjoy participating in our events:

Mrs R Finnerty

Mrs D M Hawes

Rev JP Huggins & Rev L Apps-Huggins

Mrs B J Varndell

Mrs L Rosser

Ms J Roach

Mrs S Brown
Mr F & Mrs J Bass
Mrs M George
Mrs E S Jackson
Mrs J Ward
Mrs A Bunn
Miss V Maskell

Mrs A S Townsend
Mrs P M Martin
Mrs D Forrester
Mrs S Baker
Mrs D Dell
Mrs J Hibberd

Email messages and addresses

It has been brought to my attention that more than one person in some households would like to receive the email messages from our Association. Therefore, if you would like me to send the NTSA messages to more than one person in your household, please email me with all the addresses you wish me to use so that I can add them to the list.

Note: We send such messages by blind copy (Bcc) to ensure privacy and security.

Diana Gebbett, Membership Secretary
email: membershipntsa@gmail.com

Newsletter Deliveries

The Newsletter will continue to be delivered by hand in order to save the costs of postage, which will enable us to contribute more to our chosen NT projects. Thank you to the volunteers who do the deliveries, and if anyone else would like to join us in delivering a few magazines in their local area I would be very pleased to hear from you.

Sue Saunders
Magazine Distribution Organiser

Internet Banking

Please note that our bank is now charging us 45p per cheque handled, so if you can only pay **by cheque**, please make it payable to National Trust Seaford Association.

If you are able to pay by **bank transfer**, please do so, as it will keep our costs down because the bank does not charge for this service. In this case, please put your name as a reference, so we know who it is from. Please then scan or photograph your completed form and email it to the Membership Secretary.

Michael Staples, Treasurer

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## 2026-27 Committee members

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### Non-Committee Posts

Fund Raising Events: Gill Tansley, Sue Saunders & Janet Kent

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3. Visit Programme for 2026

We are now half-way through our 2026 programme. The next 2 reports cover visits that we have done and enjoyed, followed by 2 more visits for which we still have spaces.

Tuesday 28 April 2026 Trip to Hatchlands Park, E. Clandon

Our trip to Hatchlands was a great success. 42 members came, of whom 18 were on a NTSA trip for the first time. The route was a very winding one through Surrey lanes but what a lovely house met us on arrival. Built by Admiral Boscawen in 1756, with prize money from captured enemy ships the interior at Hatchlands Park is the earliest documented work in an English country house by Robert Adam, the celebrated Scottish neoclassical architect. The Admiral was not able to enjoy the fruits of his and his wife, Fanny's, labour for long as he died in January 1761, just two years after Hatchlands was



Hatchlands Park in its grounds

completed. It passed through 2 families' hands, the second being the Rendel family in 1881, and it had a number of uses during their ownership up to 1945, including a military convalescent hospital, and in WW2 as a temporary home for St Anne's Convent School from Croydon. We saw an amazing number of collections including a nationally-important collection of keyboard instruments, some of which had been owned by famous composers like G F Handel, J C Bach, Mozart, Elgar and Chopin. Many of us were visiting it for the first time, but agreed on the coach back home that it was a real gem worth returning to at some future occasion.

Wednesday 3 June 2026 Visit to Knole, Sevenoaks

Not many people know the link between Knole and Sutton/Seaford, but in 1601 Chinting (Chyngton) Manor, Sutton was bought by Sir Thomas Sackville and part of that family's bloodline continued to own it until 1927 through a marriage between the Sackvilles and the Pelhams. He was the key person who took the former archbishop's palace at Knole



Knole's Conservation Studio -the buttressed structure on the right. Thomas Sackville 1st Earl of Dorset 1536-1608 from its medieval roots, to become an amazing Jacobean masterpiece. This is a property one can visit many times and not get tired of seeing something new. 32 of us did so, on 3 June! Again we were delighted to see a number of new members experiencing these trips for the first time. The Royal Oak Foundation Conservation Studio was open and it is mind-blowing to see the skills of professional conservators at work restoring paintings, furniture, almost all of which will return to their NT home for prominent display and our enjoyment. Another feature of our visit was to find out just how much the room guides know about the artifacts on display- a knowledge born out of their clear love for what they are doing. The portrait of Sackville (above) does not show him as an early fan of billiards- despite the huge table in the Long Gallery. That is his rod of office! Knole has emerged from a £21m refurbishment/restoration programme, £6m of which was spent on creating the Conservation Studio out of an old hay barn. The conservators are having to get used to becoming television personalities in their own right thanks to the 'Hidden Treasures of the NT' series. Watch it on iPlayer if you have missed it so far. You will not be disappointed. This is a show-off house that never disappoints!

Forthcoming visits

Tuesday 21 July 2026 Visit to the Vyne, Basingstoke

Bob tells me we still have about 15 seats left before the coach is full so if you have not booked up for this place, please do so while the opportunity lasts. The Vyne was once



The Vyne, north façade

one of the most important Tudor houses in Hampshire. For over 500 years, it was owned and shaped by just two families, the Sandys and the Chutes. Each generation enriched the property, resulting in an incredible collection and range of architecture and interiors, with the highest quality in design and craftsmanship.

By 1542 the mansion was 3 times bigger than it is today. In 1653 the Sandys family sold it to the Chutes, who held it until Charles Chute bequeathed it to the NT in 1956. Given this length of ownership by just 2 families, the house has elements that show the differing architectural tastes of its 5-century lifetime. The classical portico dates from the mid-17th century, the Gothic interior and the formal garden represent the mid-18th century and further internal alterations in the mid-19th century are captured in a series of lovely watercolours. In the 20th century, like many large houses, it became a girls' school in the 1920's, and a boys' school during WW2. See if you can find the earliest stained-glass depiction of Henry VIII in the chapel. For the more energetic, a woodland and lakeside walk is a tranquil option if the weather is fine.

Wednesday 9 September 2026 Visit to Scotney Castle and Sheffield Park Gardens

Again we still have some empty seats on the coach for this journey so if you are thinking about booking, get your forms in as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.



Scotney Castle



Sheffield Park cascade

Scotney has 2 castles, the old Castle was built by the Ashburnham family from 1378, and despite its military appearance, was largely for show. The Darrell family bought it in 1418, and held it until 1778 when it was sold to the Hussey family, who in turn gave it to the NT in 1970. It was Edward Hussey who commissioned Anthony Salvin to build the new castle between 1838-43. We then travel to Sheffield Park, where we can marvel at the work of the expert gardening team as they continue to improve this Grade I Listed garden. The Coach House contains the tea room AND a bookshop AND giftshop. How better to complete a day?

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## **4.Booking arrangements for tours**

**\*\*Please take a moment to read these booking conditions\*\***

### **Booking arrangements for Coach Outings**

Outings are run for members of the Seaford Association. Occasionally members may also purchase seats for non-NT guests if sufficient seats are available, however priority will be given to members. Prices quoted include transport, entrance fees (except for NT properties) and gratuities for drivers and guides. Refreshments are not included unless stated but details of available facilities will be publicised. Requests for seats should be made using the booking form distributed with the Association's Newsletter.

Members must bring their National Trust membership cards for visits to National Trust properties otherwise the full entrance fee will be payable. Membership of the Seaford Association is not sufficient for entrance to NT properties.

**All sections of the form need to be completed.**

**If you can, please pay by direct transfer, please include "NT Trip" as reference. Cheques must be made payable to "NTSA". Please ensure that, however you pay, you complete a booking form for each trip.**

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Confirmation of booking will be issued by email, however if confirmation is required by post **a stamped addressed envelope must be included**. Should all seats be sold, a waiting list will be kept in case seats become available through cancellation. Members will be notified as appropriate.

**Ticket-holders who wish to cancel their booking should inform Jenny Tyler on 07778 512111 as soon as possible.** No refund can be made unless the vacancy can be filled from the waiting list. A £2 handling fee will be deducted to cover costs where a refund is made.

The organisers reserve the right to cancel any outing. Should this be necessary, a full refund will be made. If, on the day of the outing, booked members are unable to participate, they should inform the organiser so that the coach is not delayed.

**Please arrive 10 minutes before the scheduled departure time to avoid delays.**

**If any member has health or mobility problems they must book with a helper who can assist them during the day as the courier is responsible for 49 people and is unable to devote particular attention to one individual however much they may wish to.**

**Booking forms to be sent to:**

**Mrs Jenny Tyler, NTSA,**

**Flat 20, Cheney's Lodge, 24a Sutton Avenue, Seaford BN25 4LG**

**See separate booking forms to reserve your places early!**

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5.Report on NTSA Annual Holiday 2026

***WARWICKSHIRE HOUSES & GARDENS* Sunday 17 – Friday 22 May 2026**

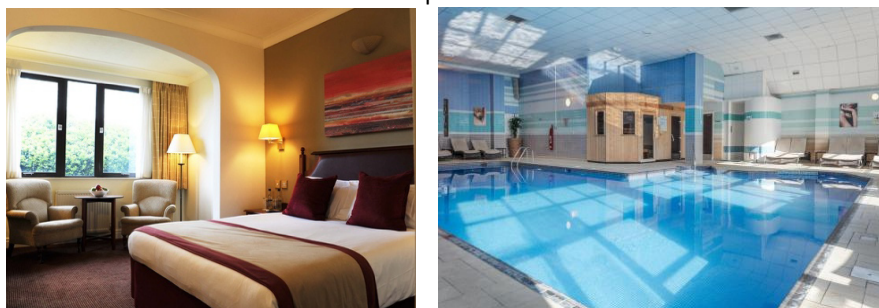
Our annual holiday, this time to Warwickshire houses and gardens 'with a taste of the Cotswolds' began early on a sunny **Sunday** morning. Luggage safely stowed, we relaxed in the hands of our driver, James, stopping first at Cobham services to refresh ourselves and powder our noses. We drove on to rendezvous with our tour guide and holiday arranger, Lisa, and headed for Hughenden Manor (NT) in Buckinghamshire. This 18th century mansion on three floors stands as a monument to Queen Victoria's favourite Prime Minister and prolific novelist, Benjamin Disraeli. We were treated to a potted, but detailed, history of the building by a knowledgeable guide before we trooped round the building. Its more recent claim to fame was its invaluable contribution to the outcome of World War II when it became the production centre for intricate maps. These were prepared and printed from reconnaissance photographs, for use by our aircrews on bombing raids, including the 1943 'Dam Busters' attack. The churchyard of St Michael and All Angels nearby drew some of our party away to visit Benjamin Disraeli's grave

where he lies between his wife Mary Anne and his patron and benefactor Sarah Willyams (sic). A memorial inside the church is unique, in having been erected by a reigning monarch to her subject to Disraeli by his Queen Victoria.



We listened.....and the band played on

We felt spoiled, as our visit to the Manor coincided with an outdoor concert by the West Wickham Brass Band. Meanwhile, indoors, artefacts from the Disraeli and WWII periods kept us fascinated, along with the cafe and toilets which are always popular, until we climbed back on board for the short hop to our hotel.



Whether diving into bed.....or the pool, both were great!

Stratford Manor Hotel, part of the Q chain, proved welcoming and comfortable. With facilities including spa, gym and indoor swimming pool, good food well-presented and friendly & efficient staff, we felt really pampered.

- **Monday** was spent at the National Memorial Arboretum, set in 150 acres of Staffordshire countryside near the ancient parish of Alrewas. Conceived in 1988, it came to fruition in 1997 thanks to the gift of an exhausted gravel pit. Designed originally to remember military personnel who had made the ultimate sacrifice, it has expanded to some 400 memorials that include the emergency services, doctors and nurses and many others, all discreetly blended into a forest setting of around 25,000 trees.



We will remember them

We arrived in time to observe the two-minute silence during the short daily service of Remembrance prior to piling in to the *land train* for a 50 minute tour of the parkland, punctuated by an informative commentary about some of the individual memorials. There was ample time to explore the site, visit the exhibition in the Visitor Centre and sample the hot and cold food and drinks on offer. It was not an experience to ‘enjoy’ so much as an opportunity to remember the fallen and to contemplate the futility of conflict.

- **Tuesday** was spent in the company of Roger, our Blue Badge guide. The first thing we learned from him was the difference between Stratford-on-Avon and Stratford-upon-Avon, the first being the name of the district, the second the market town, birthplace of William Shakespeare. Following a brief visit to view Anne Hathaway’s nearby cottage, Roger fed us with information about the history of Stratford as James carefully wove through its narrow medieval streets, stopping by the Church of the Holy Trinity so that we could walk in the footsteps of the Bard and pay our respects at his grave. Free time in the town was then enjoyed. From the displays in the many tourist shop windows, one can begin to suspect that William spent more time making

Shakespeare fudge and Shakespeare biscuits etc. than writing!



Stratford upon Avon- Shakespeare's scones and bones

Once we were back on the coach, we took a leisurely drive round some of the gorgeous Cotswold villages like Chipping Campden and Broadway with their honey coloured stone houses. On saying our farewells to Roger back at the hotel, we found out that he had been modestly hiding the fact that, later in the week, he was to be inaugurated as Lord Mayor of the city of Coventry.

- **Wednesday** was our Worcester day. In the morning it was the Royal Worcester Museum. Based at the former factory, it houses a unique collection of the beautiful porcelain ware crafted there over its 250 years history of production. The highlight was a demonstration of artificial flower making by expert Avril Pulley. Working with clay, she began in 1967, moving more recently to a medium of mixed flour and glue to produce the most wonderful and lifelike blooms. We so wished it was as easy as she made it look. After some free time in the city, we returned to Stratford to enjoy a peaceful river cruise

on the Avon under the shadow of the famed Royal Shakespeare Theatre, unaware that His Majesty King Charles III was scheduled to attend there for a performance of The Tempest just 48 hours after we drove away.



The happy snappers and Mrs Shakespeare's (Anne Hathaway) birthplace

- **Thursday's** accent was on a couple more National Trust properties.



Hidcote- just one of the many 'rooms'- wonderful!

The arts and crafts inspired Hidcote Manor Gardens were impressive. Set out as an informal collection of interconnected 'rooms', it meant that exiting each via the various gateways and gaps through clipped hedges, there was always something different to awe the visitor around every corner. Few of our group would leave without nursing a

few ideas for improving their garden and introducing some new plant that had caught their eye.



Charlecote & Charterhouse – both magnificent in their own ways

In the afternoon we descended on Charlecote Park and Manor. Built in 1558 by Sir Thomas Lucy, and once visited by Queen Elizabeth I, it remained in the ownership of the Lucy dynasty until it was gifted to the NT in lieu of death duties in 1946. William Shakespeare was said to have poached rabbits and deer in the park as a young man, and to have been brought before the magistrates. Did he benefit from *“The quality of mercy”* like his character Antonio, we wonder? Now, grazing the estate meadows, is a flock of piebald Jacob sheep. Thought to originate in Africa or Asia, the introduction of the hardy breed to Britain from Portugal in 1755 is credited to George Lucy.

- **Friday** and, all too soon, the homeward journey began. Initially heading N-E to Coventry, we spent some time at The Charterhouse, aka St Anne’s Priory. One of the NT’s most recent acquisitions, the building dates back as far as 1583 when Richard II laid the foundation stone. We were able to see the only surviving medieval wall painting in a Carthusian monastery in England. It depicts the Crucifixion and dates from around 1417.

A smooth ride followed, down to Northampton for a pub lunch, after which we bade Lisa farewell with our thanks for another splendid holiday. Continuing to Seaford, including time on the M25 during which a snail was spotted overtaking the coach, we were greeted home by the waiting taxis and were inside our front doors putting on the kettle before 8pm. We now look forward eagerly to our next holiday, and if anyone has

picked up any whispers and tells you where we're going in 2027, get them to let me know, please, as even I don't know yet!

Phil Armstrong
Holiday Organiser

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## 6. Speaker Programme 2026/7

*All talks are held at The Seaford Rugby Club, The Salts Rec, Richmond Rd, Seaford  
BN25 1DR and start at 2:30pm. Put them in your diary now!*

- **Wednesday 16th September 2026. John Butler** from Tools with a Mission. Find out about what new life is breathed into tools found in sheds, and donated to 6 southern African countries for livelihood enhancement and job creation.
- **Wednesday 21st October 2026. Adrian Backshall** built a railway in his Willingdon garden during COVID and tells us his story, including visits he has made to the last proper forge in Lower Road, Eastbourne.
- **Wednesday 18th November 2026. Bill McNaught** on 'English Eccentricities and Customs'.
- **Wednesday 20th January 2027. Alan Kingshott** on 'The History of the Tower of London Pt. 2.' A return visit from Alan who was last with us in February 2025. This talk highlights the origins of the Beefeaters, the ceremonies they perform and the Poppies at the Tower.
- **Wednesday 17th February 2027. Dr. Geoffrey Mead** on 'Sussex Literary Landscapes'. Retired University of Sussex tutor, Dr Mead uses quotes linked to images of places described, moving from the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle, through Daniel Defoe, William Cobbett, Rudyard Kipling on to Patrick Hamilton and Graham Greene's Brighton Rock.
- **Wednesday 17th March 2027.** Our AGM and a talk from **Steve Feazey**, Senior Gardener at Sheffield Park & Garden

**Margaret Smith. Winter Programme Organiser**

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RAFFLE

Well, what can I say? Just a big thank you to members of the NTSA for supporting the raffle each month. For the months of September to March, excluding December, you have purchased tickets from myself and Sue to the princely sum of £580! Many of you have your money ready in your pockets when you arrive as you know that Sue and I will be waiting for you! We do very much appreciate your support. Seriously though, the money raised does go toward the cost of our speakers, which nowadays can be quite expensive! Thank you again.

Sheila Guyatt Vice Chair

7. Other Social events

Afternoon tea 18th August 2026 at Seaford Golf Club Firle Road, 2:30pm for 3pm start

Our afternoon tea is a great way of getting to know new members. Booking forms are enclosed so please enter it into your diaries now and send off the form and money, just to be sure of getting a place.

Autumn Lunch October 29th 2026 at Seaford Golf Club Firle Road, 12:30 for 1pm start

This is another social opportunity to also win raffle prizes, whilst being served by the efficient staff of the club. So put it in your diaries now and send off the form and money, just to be sure of getting a place.

Chris Burgess. Teas & Lunches Co-ordinator

Autumn Fair Saturday November 21st 2026 at Cross Way Church Hall, 10am till 12.30

This is our annual fundraising event. We have many stalls and always welcome new helpers in various roles. We start setting up the hall at 9am but before that helpers arrive at my house to help load books, puzzles and Tombola prizes that I have stored at my house. It usually is a busy, happy event. We have a variety of stalls:

Cake Stall: Cakes can be brought in on the day or could possibly be collected the day before. Could bakers list ingredients please? This is a very popular stall. **Books:** Paperbacks sell especially well. We usually have a good assortment of **Puzzles, a Raffle,**

Gifts including unwanted Christmas presents, scarves and gift sets. **Preserves and Jams are welcome. Raffle prizes** can be brought to the Rugby club in our September, October or November meetings, as well as **Tombola Prizes. We need 100 of these!** It can be an unwanted gift, toiletries or a good condition book. **Refreshments** are also served, giving a chance to sit and chat with friends.

All the money raised goes to support local National Trust properties. Thank you all.

Gill Tansley 07801 898388

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## **8. Sussex Notes.**

### **Update on Chyngton Brooks- Cuckmere estuary**



**Chyngton Brooks seen from the east, looking towards Seaford**

In our Winter 2023 Newsletter, I wrote about the NT's exciting project aiming to recreate over 100 acres of priority intertidal saltmarsh and mudflat habitat on National Trust land on the western side of the Cuckmere River estuary at Cuckmere Haven in East Sussex. Following recommendations, the project will introduce a scheme of managed breaches

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along the western bank of the Cuckmere River, enabling full tidal inundation. This approach will play a critical role in creating a more naturally functioning estuary system, benefiting both the wider estuary and the diverse wildlife that inhabits it.

The goal is to recreate an intertidal habitat at Chyngton Brooks and after much research and professional consultation, the project is now at the stage of consultation on the planning application **ESCC/2025/001/CB**. The documents can be found on the ESCC website and there are 108 of them! The application is being considered by the South Downs National Park Authority which has agreed with the NT that a decision will be made by 31 July 2026. In total 203 documents are being submitted to SDNPA to help them come to a decision. Seaford Town Council considered it on 11 June 2026.

[https://apps.eastsussex.gov.uk/environment/planning/applications/register/detail/single?appno=ESCC%2F2025%2F001%2FCB&typ=dmw\\_planning](https://apps.eastsussex.gov.uk/environment/planning/applications/register/detail/single?appno=ESCC%2F2025%2F001%2FCB&typ=dmw_planning)

This is a major environmental initiative undertaken by the NT and they have approached it carefully, as can be seen by the time taken since I last reported it and the number of documents produced on so many aspects of the subject. I am delighted that this concept, which has been around for many years is coming to fruition. I do not have the time or the skill to appreciate all the aspects of what is proposed, but I appreciate that it will have a significant impact on how our Cuckmere River will evolve as a result of this initiative. No doubt, many elements in our community will be interested in what is happening, as will the many thousands of visitors who come to our town specifically to walk the King Charles III Coastal path towards Birling Gap and Beachy Head, as will all the dog walkers who currently walk along the west bank of the Cuckmere River. There will certainly be a lot more to see in future, if the NT's vision for their landholding in the valley is realised. It is hoped that this work will have a beneficial impact on other NT properties in the valley, that currently are threatened by periodic flooding, such as the farmland owned by the NT, and of course, our beloved Clergy House at Alfriston.

## **NTSA support for our local properties**

The NTSA Committee continues to seek the views from managers of our local properties as to how best our funds raised can help them; to supplement the support they get from their Regional offices. I am pleased to confirm that at the last Committee meeting we agreed to assist Birling Gap by a total donation of £690 to buy litter pickers, a pressure washer with an extra-long hose, display cabinets for the shop to display items for sale,

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and boards to advertise the food on sale in the café area. We are waiting to hear what the Clergy House manager would like from us to make their lives easier, and confirm our support for what they do.

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Talks take place at 2.30pm in the Seaford Rugby Club, The Salts Rec., Richmond Road, Seaford, East Sussex, BN25 1DR

12. Diary Dates

2026	
30 Jun.	Visit: Walmer Castle (Eng. Heritage)
21 Jul.	Visit: The Vyne (NT)
18 Aug.	Afternoon Tea
9 Sept.	Visit: Scotney Castle & Sheffield Park Gardens (NT)
16 Sept.	Talk: John Butler. TWAM
21 Oct.	Talk: Adrian Backshall . My own Railway
29 Oct.	Autumn Lunch
18 Nov.	Talk: Bill McNaught. English Eccentricities and Customs
21 Nov.	Autumn Fair
2027	
20 Jan.	Alan Kingshott. History of the Tower of London Pt. 2
17 Feb.	Dr Geoff Mead. Sussex Literary Landscapes
17 Mar.	AGM and Steve Feazey Head Gardener at Sheffield Park

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