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A VISIT TO CORSHAM COURT AND LACOCK, WILTS

TUESDAY 5 JUNE 2018

Following coffee, our morning visit will be to the Elizabethan Corsham Court, ancestral home of the Methuen family, where a private tour led by the present owner James Methuen-Campbell has been arranged.. A feature of the house is the C18 Picture Gallery designed by Capability Brown, containing works by masters such as Van Dyck and Joshua Reynolds. Friends who watched the TV series *Elizabeth's Secret Agents* last October may recall the famous portrait of the Tudor queen, reputedly the only true likeness, which is another of the 'must see' works on display. Furnishings in the house include pieces by renowned craftsmen such as Chippendale while the extensive gardens are also a notable feature .

On leaving Corsham, we shall make the short journey to picturesque Lacock ,often seen in period TV dramas, where a variety of establishments offering lunch can be found. Lacock is owned and managed by the National Trust, a notable attraction being the C13 Abbey in the centre of the village which also houses the Fox Talbot Museum of Photography, marking the work of one of the original photographic pioneers. Many features of the original Abbey, long since a private house, still survive. The woodland garden boasts a fine display of flowers, fine trees, a C18 summer house , and Fox Talbot's newly restored botanic garden.

- 8.15 am Depart National Museum,
- 8.30 am depart Wild Gardens Road, Roath Park.
- 10.30am Arrive Corsham: tea/coffee and home-made cookies at St Bartholemew's Churcc
- 11.15am Tour of Corsham Court
- 1.00 pm Arrive Lacock - for lunch and free time
- 4.30pm Depart Lacock
- 6.30 pm approx, arrive Cardiff

To join the trip please complete the slip below sending it to Roger Gagg,15 Llandennis Avenue, Cyncoed, Cardiff CF23 6JD. (Tel: 02920 752338) with cheque for £30 per person (to include tea/coffee, Corsham Court visit, and sundries) plus a stamped envelope for reply.

To: Friends National Museum Wales –Visit to Corsham Court and Lacock

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Please reserve places @ £30 for the above event. I enclose cheque and **SAE**.