# Rye Conservation Society's ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY SUNDAY 18 JUNE 2017 2.30 - 5.00 pm

Little Orchard House, 3 West Street, Rye TN31 7ES with its superb garden and tower giving unusual views over Rye

### All welcome Pay at the door, admission includes cream tea

We are looking forward to seeing all our existing members in our first gathering since the recent AGM and Annual Lunch, and also welcoming new members of the Society. Plus, of course, we will be delighted to see non-members, so why not bring along friends or family to enjoy a secret garden of Rye, a chance to view the 18th century 'Smugglers' Tower, and enjoy one of the finest cream teas you will experience not just in Rye but the whole South Coast! Admission £4.00 for members, £5 for non-members.

Access: please note that there are some half a dozen steps up to the entrance door and a couple of steps into the garden. Please take care.

## Society's visit to Brighton and the Kemp Town Estate Wednesday 31 May 2017

We leave at 9.00 am by coach from Rye Station car park (Rope Walk end) for the Brighthelm Centre.

There we will be met by Jeremy Mustoe, the Chairman, with Malcolm Dawes, Ninka Willcock and Sarah Tobias of the Brighton Society.

Over coffee we have an illustrated talk about Brighton and the work of the Society before we split into three groups for guided tours of nearby parts of Brighton led by the Brighton Society members.

We then rejoin our coach for the short journey to the Kemp Town Estate for lunch at Busby and Wilds - a favourite restaurant for people living in the unique Grade 1 listed Kemp Town Estate on Brighton's eastern seafront. (Busby and Wilds were the architects for the estate in the early 19th century). Over coffee we will be joined by the Chairman of the Kemp Town Society, Simon Smith. He will say something about the Estate and about the Kemp Town Society.

Thomas Read Kemp commissioned the leading Regency architects and builders, Charles Busby and Amon Wilds, to develop the magnificent estate. As there were no streets east of Bloomsbury Place at that time, it was a remarkably bold enterprise (including the largest crescent in Europe) that was to take over thirty years to complete and to cost Kemp his fortune.

We then re-join our coach with Simon who will give a running commentary while we tour the area Sussex Square, Lewes Crescent, Arundel and Chichester Terraces.

We plan to break our return journey to Rye with a stop at Middle Farm on the A27, South Downs National Park, for cream teas, cake and home made scones (optional and not included in the price) plus farm shop.

Cost for the day £45.00 per person (non-members £48.00).
This covers coach travel and driver's tip, donations to the Brighton and the Kemp Town Societies.

It includes the two course lunch with coffee and service charges (see Booking Form for details). (Afternoon tea is optional.)

#### LAST FEW SEATS AVAILABLE

Contact John Griffiths for Booking Form ASAP johngriffiths@freeuk.com
01797 223 594

### ! ATTENTION !

Please be aware of a commercial company making "cold call" telephone calls in the Rye area offering to spray seal the inside of tile and slate roofs.

They make claims which may seem plausible.

Professional advice should be taken before any such work is agreed or undertaken.

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