

## Rotary Seniors out trip to Luton Hoo Walled Garden 18<sup>th</sup> September 2024

The Rotary Club of Berkhamsted with help from the Happy Wanderers, which is a local group that provide help for senior citizens, organised this year's outing for senior citizens. This year the visit was to Luton Hoo Walled Garden.



A Party of 24 Senior citizens, helpers and carers, as well as Rotarian and Inner Wheel helpers travelled by coach to the gardens.

Luton Hoo Walled Garden is part of the original Luton Hoo Estate. The Hotel and Golf Course are now a separate enterprise.

Luton Hoo Garden was designed by "Capability Brown" in the 1700s for the Earl of Bute. The gardens had declined over the years and were uncared for and overgrown.

Charlotte Phillips, daughter of the former owner, became interested in the Garden and a project started in 2001 to restore the gardens.

We had a guided tour of the gardens explaining the work being done and the future plans for further restoration.



The day was helped by exceptionally warm and sunny weather throughout the afternoon. After exploring the beautiful gardens, we congregated in the Woodyard Café for a welcome "Cream Tea"