

# Wolvercote Horticultural Society Festival Trip to Greenwich

Thames River Trip, Visit to the Royal Observatory & Planetarium,  
The Fan Museum & Afternoon Tea

Friday 17 June, 2016

The opening festival event is our trip to Greenwich which encapsulates this year's theme of 'Place & Space', not totally easy in terms of gardens. We will travel by coach to London to Westminster Pier & board a river boat to Greenwich ([www.rmg.co.uk](http://www.rmg.co.uk)). Greenwich is, of course, a UNESCO World Heritage Site & on arriving at Greenwich Pier one has the magnificent scene of the former Royal Naval College, now Greenwich University. There we will be met by our coach & will then travel to the top of the hill with its wonderful views of London.

We will have a chance to view the C18 buildings & stand on the historic prime meridian, the home of Greenwich Mean Time & then explore the planetarium. These all arose from a Royal Commission set up by Charles II to look into investing in astronomy.

In the afternoon we have a visit to The Fan Museum ([www.thefanmuseum.org.uk](http://www.thefanmuseum.org.uk)) which is more or less adjacent to Greenwich Park. The Museum has over 4000 items, some painted by Dali, Gauguin & Sickert & has exhibitions which change several times a year. Our visit also includes afternoon tea in the orangery (tea/coffee, scones with cream & jam & freshly baked cakes). The afternoon tea here is one of the most highly rated in London & the Orangery has admired murals & overlooks a 'secret garden' with wonderful French windows. Sadly, one cannot wander in the garden – it is for viewing only. As the Orangery is not large, the first 32 bookings will have afternoon tea.

NB: The river boat has a bar but does not have catering facilities. The Royal Observatory's tea room is small & may be busy, so some of you may want to bring food. Our coach will then return us home from Greenwich.

The cost of the outing is £47.00. Cheques should be made payable to 'Wolvercote Horticultural Society'. **Please do not delay.**

## Pickup Times:

Upper Wolvercote/Mere Road	08.45
Fish & Chip Shop	08.50
Woodstock Road	08.55
Squitchey Lane	08.57
Headington Post Office	09.05

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