

INVESTIGATING HISTORIC PARKLANDS IN GREENSAND COUNTRY

WORKSHOP 1: Caring for our Historic Parks and Gardens

How volunteer research and recording can help conserve historic parks and gardens

17th October 2019, doors open at 9:30 to start promptly at 10:00

Chapterhouse of Flitwick Church (Church of St Peter and St Paul),
Church Road, Flitwick, MK45 1AE

A day-long general introduction to the history and characteristics of historic parklands using Flitwick Manor Park as a case study.

The first in a programme of workshops which teaches volunteers how to undertake Condition Surveys with the aspiration for historic parkland features in Greensand Country to be better identified, recorded and monitored.

Schedule:

- 9:30am **Doors open & Registration**
(Tea and coffee provided)
- 10:00am **Housekeeping and Welcome**
- 10:15am **The Greensand Country Landscape Partnership** (Eloise Markwick, GCLP)
- 10:25am **The Mission** (Chris Laine, Landscape Architect, Historic England)
- 10:40am **Introducing the Gardens Trust, and Bedfordshire Gardens Trust**
(Sally Bate, The Gardens Trust and Caroline Bowdler, Beds Garden Trust)
- 10:50am **Historic Garden Features: A-Z**
- 11:15am **Whistle-stop tour through garden history**
- 11:30am **Break** (Tea and coffee provided)
- 11:45am **Threats to historic parks and gardens**
- 12:15pm **Researchers to the rescue: conservation through research**
- 1:00pm **Lunch** (Please bring your own)
- 1:30pm **Introduction to Flitwick Manor Park**
- 1:45pm **Flitwick Manor Park site visit**

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2:45pm **Summing up and finding out about our visit to the Bedfordshire Archives and future workshops**

3:00pm **Close and your feedback**
(Please give feedback forms to Eloise)

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