

## **NHAS: 2016 FIELD EXCURSION      Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8.00am – c.6.30pm**

### **SUTTON HOO, on the Deben estuary, near Woodbridge, Suffolk.**

This exceptional site became famous in 1939, after the discovery by Basil Brown of the ship burial of a very wealthy Anglo-Saxon king. The site and the estate were given by the owner, Mrs. Kate Pretty, to the National Trust. Recent investment there by the Trust has greatly improved facilities for visitors.

### **Programme for the day**

8.00am: Pick up point in St. Mary's Square, Hitchin

8.20am: Pick up point outside Letchworth Library, Broadway, Letchworth.      8.30am: Leave L'worth

10.30am: Arrive at Sutton Hoo

10.30am/11.00am: Optional visit to the Exhibition or to the King's River café

11.00am: Assemble, promptly, for our 'timed entry' as a Group, for the 'Burial Mounds' guided walk, on a level gravel path and on well trodden grass footpaths

12.15pm: End of the 'Burial Mounds' guided walk

12.30pm – 4.00pm: Light lunches are available in the 80 seater King's River café; picnic lunches may be consumed outside, seating available and stunning views across the estuary!

Optional visits to the Exhibition with original finds on loan from the British Museum, to Mrs. Pretty's house, Tranmer House, now refurbished in 1930's style, and to the Shop. A map of 'accessible walking routes' across this riverside estate, will be available on arrival.

4.00pm: Depart Sutton Hoo

6.00pm: Drop off point outside Letchworth Library, Broadway, Letchworth

6.30pm: Drop off point in St. Mary's Square, Hitchin

### **NB**

The optional 'Burial Mounds' tour costs 2.50pp, and must be booked and paid for 1 month in advance of the visit date. Thus our CLOSING DATE for booking for this excursion will be WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1<sup>st</sup>.