

Happy New year to you all.

In 2016 we ran almost 200 trips, a busy year. We had relatively few cancellations and we apologise to anyone that was affected. We will only cancel trips if there are not enough passengers booked to cover our costs. You will appreciate that as a charity we cannot run trips at a loss to DACT. With so many trips available it is inevitable that we will have some cancellations. In contrast there were a number of trips where demand was so high that we had to run 2 buses! For 2017 we think we have a good selection of trips, including a number of new venues suggested by our members. Don't forget it is always worth going on the waiting list if your trip is fully booked at the time you contact us. Note:

- Car Parking. Due to the parking restrictions now imposed by Tesco we plan from January 2017 to have 2 pickups. The first will be at the Brook Street Car Park (the old Gasworks) for those travelling in by car. From there we will proceed to New Street Bus Station. The time shown for each trip is the scheduled departure time from New Street. The pickup from Brook Street Car Park will be 25 minutes before the scheduled departure time and the driver will wait a maximum of 5 minutes. We will have a drop off at Brook Street Car Park at the end of the trip.
- Accessibility varies across the venues that we visit some have full access for wheelchairs etc and some partial access. If you have any concerns regarding accessibility we would request that you contact the venue and talk to them directly, or access their website. We can assist in providing contact numbers if necessary.
- If you want a travel scooter for a trip you can always hire one from DACT Mobility. We do ask you to talk to the office first, to make sure we have the right type of bus available. (N.B. Some venues do provide Scooters making it unnecessary to take your own. Ask the DACT Office if you need more details)
- Cancellations can affect a lot of people. Eg: They may result in trips being cancelled due to insufficient numbers, members losing the opportunity to get group rate entry or trips run at a loss to DACT. Please understand that to be fair to all our members we have to be consistent in applying our cancellation policy.

<u>January</u>	Destination	Type of Trip	Depart	<u>Return</u>	<u>Cost</u>	Information
Wed 11^{th}	The White Horse, Broughton Astley	Pub Lunch	11.30 am	2.30 pm	£9	Pub lunch at the White Horse in the village of Broughton Astley (near Lutterworth). The menu includes main meals from approx £6 upwards (as at Nov 2016)
Tues 17 th	Woodlands Garden Centre, Nr Hinckley	Garden Centre	11.15 am	3.15 pm	£10	Large Garden Centre, part of the Gardening Club Group, in Stapleton (near Hinckley). Woodlands hosts a number of retail outlets including Cotton Trader, Lakeland, Edinburgh Woollen Mill and The Works. There is also a large restaurant.
Tues 24 th	Milton Keynes	Shopping	11.15 am	3.30 pm	£9	Milton Keynes is a very large indoor shopping centre with major brands such as John Lewis, Debenhams, House of Fraser, Next, M&S etc. Today the outdoor market should be open.
Mon 30 th	The Red Lion, Adderbury	Pub Lunch	11.15 am	2.30 pm	£9	Part of the Old English Inns group this is an old Coaching Inn that in the village green of Adderbury (near Banbury). There is an extensive menu plus deals such as a Value Menu with main courses from £4.99 and starters and desserts at £2.99 (as at Nov 2016)
February	Destination	Type of Trip	Depart	Return	Cost	Information
Thurs 2 nd	Leicester	Shopping	10.15 am	3.00 pm	£10	Leicester has it's large modern Highcross Shopping Centre which includes major brands such as John Lewis, Debenhams and House of Fraser. Just outside of Highcross are the outdoor and indoor markets offering a wide range of foods and goods.
Wed 8 th	Poplars Garden Centre, Toddington	Garden Centre	11.15 am	3.00 pm	£11	Poplars is an award winning independent family business claiming to one of Britain's best Garden Centres having everything you could possibly need for your Garden. It has one of the largest gift shops in the country. Poplars Pantry offers a wide choice of home cooked foods. Wheelchair accessible location
Thurs 16 th	Loughborough	Shopping / Attractions	10.15 am	3.15 pm	£11	Loughborough, a vibrant town in the county of Leicestershire with a population of around 60,000 and excellent shopping facilities with hundreds of shops and a lively cafe, bar and restaurant culture. It also offers much in the way of culture with numerous buildings that span many centuries. Today, Loughborough is perhaps best known for its internationally acclaimed University.
Sun 19 th	Natural History/Science/V&A Museums, London	Museums	9.30 am	4.00 pm	£17	The Natural History Museum is a series of zones – including the age of dinosaurs, all aspects of evolution, wildlife garden, the Darwin Centre & Cocoon and much much more. Next door is the Science Museum covering a wide range of topics such as space exploration, medicine & health, energy & flight. Across the road is the V&A Museum, claimed to be the worlds greatest museum of art & design. All museums FREE to enter – special exhibitions, simulators etc may be chargeable. This is also a good base for onward travel to Oxford, Harrods and other parts of London.
Tues 21 st	The Lamb, Little Harrowden	Pub Lunch	11.15 am	2.30 pm	£10	Adam and his well established team welcome you to the Lamb in Little Harrowden a stones throw from Wellingborough & Kettering, where they offer quality and freshly prepared pub food, excellent ales and award winning wines. 2 Course Seniors Lunch £8
Thurs 23 rd	Hodsock Priory, Nottinghamshire	Gardens	9.30 am	2.30 pm	£16	Spectacular woodland carpets of snowdrops where spring slowly unfurls from winter. Tea Room, Plant Sale and Gift Shop open. The heated marquee Tea Room serves luxury cream teas under canvas, hot soups, pie and peas plus locally made yummy treats, plus hot drinks and snacks including soup and bacon butties available from the Woodland Café. Gift Shop sells plants, kitchen gifts & gardening souvenirs. £4.50 entry (Group rate, 10 or more)
Tues 28 th	Melton Mowbray	Shopping	10.00 am	2.45 pm	£12	A popular destination - visit the home of the Pork Pie on Market day. Look round the, the extensive street market and the large indoor market where there is an antiques market and the auctioning of a range of livestock.
March	Destination	Type of Trip	Depart	Return	Cost	Information
Wed 1 st	Dobbies Garden Centre, Atherstone	Garden Centre	11.15 am	3.00 pm	£10	Popular garden centre just past Hinckley. A typical large garden centre that also Includes a clothing outlet and food hall. Also has a large restaurant.
Tues 7 th	Birmingham	Shopping	10.15 am	3.15 pm	£12	With its' modern shopping centre and large markets Birmingham is a popular shopping destination. Shop in the glamorous Bullring Centre, stroll up New Street & other shopping streets & visit the indoor & outdoor markets – a shoppers paradise! Also worth a visit is the impressive new Library with its' rooftop gardens and views over Birmingham.
Wed 8 th	Heritage Motor Museum, Gaydon	Museum	11.15 am	3.00 pm	£9	The Heritage Motor Centre is home to the world's largest collection of British Cars; it boasts nearly 300 cars in its' collection which spans over 100 years and includes the classic, vintage and veteran eras. There is a restaurant. Entry: Adults £12, Over 60s £10. Child £6. If we have 12 or more group rate of £8 applies. In addition, for the adventurous there is an option to experience an amazing offroad ride in a Land Rover (£9 for approx 20 minute ride).
Thurs 9 th	Burton-on-Trent	Shopping / Attractions	10.15 am	3.30 pm	£13	A premier shopping centre, boasting three excellent shopping centres, with a good mix of specialist shops and the country's leading retailers. The largest town in the National Forest, internationally known as the capital of British brewing. The River Trent and the Trent and Mersey canal wind their way majestically through the town. Michael Bass, who became Lord Burton in the 19th century, gifted the town with many of its fine buildings, the most prominent is the Town Hall, together with St. Margaret's Church and the beautiful St. Paul's. The parish church of St. Modwen's, is generally acknowledged to be one of the finest examples of Palladian type Gothic architecture in the country. Visit the Coors Visitor Centre (formerly the Bass Museum), which tells the story of Bass, Brewing and Beer, with frequently changing exhibitions, interactive galleries, and unique collection of horse-drawn and motorised historic vehicles.
Mon 13th	The Quays / Billing Garden Centre	Pub Lunch / Garden Village	11.30 pm	Approx. 3.15 pm	£9	The Quays pub is at the entrance to Billing Aquadrome, overlooking the Marina. After a meal there is a short stop at Billing Garden Village, a compact but interesting place to wander around, with a small garden centre, a Ponden Mill, clothes shop and some other smaller outlets including a Smiths Farm Shop. The Quays has various meal offers. The main menu has main courses from around £5.50. This is also an over 60s menu offering 2 courses around £4.50 (As at Nov 2016).
		1		3.30 pm		Shopping under one roof. Boundary Mills offers huge choice and discounted prices against leading brands in ladies and men's leisure,

						outdoor and occasion wear, footwear and lingerie; luggage, bags and accessories; home furnishings, cookware, china and glassware; art, crafts and gifts There is also a large restaurant.
Thurs 16th	Worcester	Shopping/Historical	10.15 am	3.30 pm	£13	An ancient city with much to offer. There are 2 main shopping centres plus High Street specialist shops and a market. There is the river where you can walk or take a cruise. There is the Royal Worcester porcelain factory to look round, and finally the famous Cathedral. All are relatively close together.
Tues 21 st	Stratford-on-Avon	Historic Town	10.30 am	3.15 pm	£10	A very popular tourist attraction on the banks of the River Avon. Visitors can enjoy the park area either side of the river, take a river cruise, wander around the shops or visit one or more of the historic attractions such as Shakespeare's House
Thurs 23 rd	Lord Leycester Hospital / Warwick	Historic Interest /Historic Town	11.00 am	3.30 pm	£9	First there is the opportunity to lunch and explore the centre of the historic town of Warwick. Then it is a short walk to the Lord Leycester Hospital, NOT a hospital but a charity that provides homes for ex-servicemen. It is an historic group of timber framed buildings on Warwick High Street dating mainly from the 14 th century and with a 12 th century Chantry Chapel. A fascinating place to visit. Entry: Adults £6.30. Entry includes a really interesting guided tour.
Sat 25 th	Wellesbourne Market	Shopping	10.30 am	2.15 pm	£9	Reputed to be one of the UKs largest outdoor markets, with around 500 stalls and 15000 visitors each Saturday. There is a vast variety of goods on sale for everyone, from clothes, gardening, toys, books, mobiles and food.
Mon 27 th	Market Harborough	Shopping	11.15 am	3.30 pm	£9	A popular market town with a good mix of shopping ranging from small independent shops to larger branded shops and an indoor market. The shopping area is partly pedestrianised. Architecture of interest includes the small timber framed Old Grammar School and the steeple of St. Dionysis Church.
Wed 29 th	Royal Chelsea Hospital	Historic Interest	10.30 am	3.30 pm	£18	NOT a hospital but in fact home of the Chelsea Pensioners, the architecturally impressive Royal Chelsea Hospital, designed and erected by Sir Christopher Wren in the 17 th century at the request of Charles 11. It provides a home to soldiers that need support in their old age. There is a fascinating guided tour around the buildings, including the amazing Dining Room, led by a Pensioner. There is a café and a small shop. Entry with the tour is £18 (reduced to £12 if 15 passengers travel). N.B. Any cancellations of a booking to this venue will automatically incur a £18 cancellation fee if cancelled after Friday 10th March as we have to pay for tickets and bus parking in advance.
Thurs 30 th	Newark International Antiques Fair	Antiques Fair	10.00 am	3.30 pm	£13	The International Antiques and Collectors Fair at Newark is described as the biggest event of its kind in Europe. It has up to 2500 stands and attracts dealers and buyers from around the world. There is quite possibly every item you could imagine! Including furniture, jewellery, sports memorabilia and paintings, and fine antiques. Entry: £20 (cash only) £10 if we have a minimum of 10 people.
<u>April</u>	Destination	Type of Trip	<u>Depart</u>	<u>Return</u>	<u>Cost</u>	Information
Mon 3 rd	Navigation Inn , Stoke Bruerne	Pub Lunch	11.30 am	3.00 pm	£8	Stoke Bruerne is a popular and picturesque tourist spot with a small museum, boat trips, coffee shops etc. The Navigation Inn is a large pub situated on the canal side. Enjoy a meal and a short wander around, or just sit & relax by the canal. There is an extensive menu including some meals offered at 2 for £10.
Tues 4 th	Oxford	Historic City	10.15 am	3.15 pm	£12	A famous city that has a number of historic buidings, colleges and museums, such as the Ashmolean and the Pitt Rivers Museums. There are a large number of shops both indoor and outdoor plus an indoor market.
Wed 5 th	Milton Keynes Museum	Museum	12.15 pm	4.00 pm	£9	Give it a try - This is not a small local museum. It is a fascinating museum with a wide array of exhibits ranging from agricultural, transport, horses, farming, gardens, telecommunications, etc. There is a street of shops with a butcher's, Post Office, chemists and a cinema. There is also an old schoolroom, parlour and kitchen, a pianola (that you can play yourself) and much more. Staff are always on hand to guide you through the exhibits. There is also a large gallery telling the story of transport - from a sedan chair to Clive Sinclair's C5, a Penny Farthing, canal boat, an enormous tram and more. Entry: Group rate - Adults £7.50, Seniors £6.
Thurs 6 th	Coventry	Shopping / Attactions	11.15 am	3.30 pm	£9	Coventry has a number of attractions close together, all within easy walking distance. There is an extensive shopping area with most major retailers present. Within easy walking distance of the centre there Coventry Cathedral and the Coventry Transport Museum which has undergone an extensive £9 million makeover - it is a great place to visit, has a restaurant and entry is free .
Mon 10 th	Bakewell	Peak District Town / Shopping	9.30 am	3.00 pm	£16	Bakewell is a lovely Peak District town and home of the Bakewell Pudding. It is an old market town set in the heart of the Peak District and with the River Wye meandering through the centre. You can wander round the town to see the historic buildings, stroll along the river, picnic in the parks and browse the shops. Today is market day.
Tues 11 th	Moreton-in-Marsh / Bourton-on- the-Water	Cotswold Towns / Shopping	10.30 am	3.45 pm	£13	Visit to 2 very popular Cotswold towns. Market day in Moreton-on-Marsh attracts visitors from far & wide. Have lunch & browse the stalls before moving on to Bourton-on-the-Water.
Wed 12 th	Mystery Tour 1	Mystery Tour	10.00 am	5.00pm – Approx at Dav	£13	Mystery tour with stops for refreshments, lunch and browsing. Typically there is likely to be 3 stops, one being long enough to have lunch.
Thurs 13 th	Gloucester Warwickshire Railway	Steam Railway	9.30 am	3.30 pm	£13	Take a ride on a steam or diesel train through the Cotswolds. The GWR runs between Toddington (Near Tewksbury) and Cheltenham Race Course, with stops at Winchcombe and Gotherington. Various stations have tea rooms. Toddington has a small museum, a viewing area behind the loco sheds and a small display of classic vehicles. Various ticket options are available. Full return ticket is £15.30 adult, £14.40 over 60s. A group discount may apply depending on numbers.
Tues 18 th	Kew Gardens	Gardens	9.00 am	3.00 pm	£18	The world famous Kew covers 325 acres and includes lakes, extensive walkways, themed areas and a number of greenhouses housing a wide array of temperate plants and trees, including alpines and orchids. At this time the Magnolia should be in full bloom along with

						millions of bulbs. Mobility scooters available (book in advance). There is a land train (approx £5 for the day) that stops at various points around Kew. With our excellent agreement with Kew we are able to offer this trip at a total cost of £18 (Bus and entry combined).
Wed 19 th	Black Country Museum	Themed Attraction	10.00 am	3.30 pm	£13	Described as a living open-air museum. The main area has 'streets' of factories and shops as they were in the early 1900s, with people in costume to tell you about what was sold and made in those days. There is much to do and see – take a tram ride, go down a coal mine, go to school!, take a canal trip into limestone caves, watch local craftsmen at work, view historic buildings & a vehicle collection. Entry: Group rate: Adults £12, Seniors £10. (2016 rates)
Thurs 20 th	St. Neots, Cambridgeshire	Market Town	10.15 am	3.00 pm	£14	St. Neots is described as a charming Cambridgeshire riverside market town. The town centre offers a varied shopping experience, with hidden courtyards running off the High Street. Today is market day. Close to the centre is the River Ouse with it's Riverside Park.
Fri 21 st	National Memorial Arboretum	Arboretum	10.15 am	3.30 pm	£13	150 acres of trees & memorial gardens – to both military and civilian services. Ever evolving this is a beautiful and interesting place to walk round with a wide range of memorials and many varieties of trees. One side of the arboretum is bordered by the River Tame, a lovely place to walk and view the wildlife. There is a road train (with commentary) that circuits the Arboretum (small cost). Mobility scooters are available (book in advance). Entry is free.
Mon 24 th	Hellfire Caves, High Wycombe	Historical Interest	10.15 am	3.00 pm	£14	High Wycombe for Shopping/lunch, then on to the Caves, pm. A tour down the Caves takes you along deep winding passages which extend over a quarter of a mile underground and lead past various small chambers to the Banqueting Hall, and then further down over the River Styx. The splendid flint Main entrance, built to look like a Gothic church, stands high above West Wycombe and the valley. The Mausoleum has served as a location for such films as The Importance of Being Earnest and Burke and Hare. Little Dorrit used the Caves for a prison scene. Visit the courtyard cafe for homemade cakes and cream teas. Adults £7.50, Seniors £6 (2016 prices)
Tues 25 th	Peak District Mini Tour	Peak District	9.15 am	At Dav approx 5.15 pm	£16	Mini-tour of the Peak District with it's beautiful scenery and picturesque small towns. Final itinery is to be decided but possible stops could be around 3 or 4 in places such as Dove Dale, Eyam, Tissington, Ashford-in-the-Water, Ashbourne, Matlock Baths etc.
Wed 26 th	St. Tiggywinkles, Aylesbury	Animal Hospital	10.30 am	3.15 pm	£12	Visiting Thame first for a lunch stop and then on to Tiggywinkles, the Wildlife Hospital Trust, which is a specialist Hospital dedicated to rescuing and rehabilitating all species of British Wildlife. Since opening its doors, Tiggywinkles has treated over 200,000 'patients'. All British wildlife brought to the hospital are treated free of charge and then are released back in to the wild when they are fully fit. Tiggywinkles has pioneered much of the animal welfare care that is now used worldwide. Adults £5.10 (under 4's & over 65's are free). Visitor Centre is self-guided. See the Hedgehog Museum & Souvenir Shop.
Thurs 27 th	IWM Duxford	Aircraft Museum	9.30 am	3.15 pm	£14	Duxford has a large collection of civil and military aircraft through the ages. This includes Concorde (you can walk through), Spitfires & Hurricanes, Flying Fortress, Lancaster, Vulcan. They are spread across a number of hangars, including a Battle of Britain hangar and the impressive and newly renovated American hangar. In addition the Land Warfare hangar houses one of the finest exhibitions of tanks, military vehicles and artillery in the country. For those that need it a mobility vehicle should be operating to move people around the site. Based on a minimum of 10 people entry cost is: Adult £12.25, Child £6.55 child.
Sat 29 th	Artisan Cheese Fair, Melton Mowbray	Shopping	9.15 am	2.30 pm	£13	The 6th year of the Artisan Cheese Fair, the largest dedicated festival of cheese in the UK. Held undercover within the halls of Melton Mowbray's Cattle Market, the fair showcases cheese makers from all over the British Isles. It is expected there will be over 50 Cheese Makers who between them produce 250+ cheeses, including some of the UK's rarest cheeses. Entrance cost is just £3. In addition there should also be the normal street market operating on this day.
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Return time is the anticipated time of departure from the venue visited unless otherwise stated.

To register <u>FREE</u> for the DACT 'Days-Out' Scheme, simply telephone the number below stating you wish to register as a new member. You will be asked for your full name, address and date of birth. If you have any kind of mobility difficulties which you think we should be advised of, please notify us. (e.g. you perhaps need to bring a tri-walker on a trip)

Points to note:

- Booking will be on a first-come first served basis. For trips that are fully booked we will run a reserve list and contact people on that list if seats become available through cancellations.
- There are **NO** age restrictions applicable to DACT Days Out, but unfortuanately all seats are charged at the same rate. This also applies to carers of wheelchair passengers etc.
- Price quoted is for return travel only. Admission charges are not included, unless otherwise stated. Food, drink etc is excluded.
- Payment in cash should be made to the driver on the day of the trip unless stated otherwise.
- <u>Pick-ups</u> The bus will leave from Daventry Bus Station at the time stated in trip details. <u>We will wait a maximum of 5 minutes only, in fairness to other</u> <u>passengers</u>. If a number of passengers from the same area are travelling, it may be possible to arrange another pick-up point en-route.
- <u>Drop offs -</u> Passengers within Daventry Town may be dropped off close to home on the return trip where practicable. This is purely a courtesy by the driver and we would ask passengers not to abuse this courtesy.
- DACT will do their best to make sure every trip operates as advertised. However in circumstances beyond our control or minimum numbers not being met, we may have to change or cancel we cannot run these trips at a loss to DACT.
- Trip Information is obtained from a variety of sources. We try to give a fair summary of a destination but we cannot guarantee that all the content we may use is totally accurate.
- Trolleys. We can carry shopping trolleys but they must be booked in advance as there is only limited storage space on our buses.
- CANCELLATIONS. Please be aware that if you cancel your booking late, you prevent others from travelling on the trip who would otherwise have been able to go, and also if buses then get insufficient numbers, they run the risk of being cancelled. Please only book if you definitely intend to travel. All bookings are taken on trust without a deposit and we do not want to change this procedure to avoid heavy administration. <u>Any trip cancelled at less than 5 full working-days notice prior to the trip date (or a no-show on the trip day) will incur the full trip cost as it is unfair to other passengers to have their trip cancelled at short notice. Please pay to the DACT Office as soon as possible.
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