

# NORTH STAFFS BRANCH OF THE CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION

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**ANNUAL TRIP: SATURDAY 21 MAY 2016, TO CHESTER ROMAN AMPHITHEATRE & GROSVENOR MUSEUM.**

This year we are not travelling by coach, but either by train or by car.

Those joining this trip can either join a group leaving Crewe Station about 10 a.m. (return fare just over £12) or travel independently and meet us, near St John the Baptist Church beside the Amphitheatre in Chester, soon after 11 a.m. (Further details will be given to everyone making a booking.)

We shall visit the Roman Amphitheatre site, St John the Baptist Church (site of Chester's first Cathedral), the Roman Gardens, the City's North Walls (including the full height of those of the Legionary Fortress), and the free Grosvenor Museum. There will be a lunch break, which will be spent in the area of the present Cathedral, to eat packed or locally bought lunches as you choose. (There will also be free time later, while Evensong is being sung, for those who wish to attend.) We plan as usual to end the day with a more leisurely meal (in Chester), but as members will be travelling independently this will only be booked for those making a firm commitment to attend (and paying in advance if necessary). If numbers for the meal are low, we shall be able to choose where to eat without a prior booking. There will be no other costs of the day apart from travel and food.

Please return the slip by post as soon as possible as above and **not later than 9<sup>th</sup> May**, (or internally at Keele University, c/o Staff Common Room). Once we have received these replies, more information will be sent out in due course to those who have responded, including final details of timing and meeting places, and parking for those travelling by car. **See also the web site in coming weeks.**



Amphitheatre Meeting Place



City Walls near the Roman Gardens

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I and \_\_\_\_\_ guests wish to attend the trip to Chester. I do/do not intend to stay for an evening meal.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I currently expect to travel by train / car

Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_