LINCOLNSHIRE SOUTH FEDERATION OF WI'S

(Organised by Public Affairs & Education)

Walk with Joe Whitehead

around the

Gardens of Burghley House, Stamford.

Wednesday 20th May 2026 or Tuesday 2nd June 2026

11:00am – 2:30pm

(Includes **Cream Tea in the Orangery Restaurant**)

Members £20.00 Non-Members £24.00

Please note: The grounds are undulating, and Joe tends to go off the beaten path at times! Participants would need to have a good level of fitness and be able to walk for up to 2 hours.

Following on from our lunch with Joe Whitehead, a tour of the gardens has been arranged for late spring when hopefully the flowers are in full bloom. We have two dates, so please if you are interested, sign up for your preferred date.

Viewed from the windows of the State Rooms above, the private gardens offer a splash of colour and an injection of formality into Capability Brown's Arcadian and sweeping vistas. The gardens are dominated by some spectacular trees, the most prominent being the Tilia platyphyllos or large-leafed lime on the west, believed to be layered from the original planted in the 16th century and the mature oak, planted by Queen Victoria during her visit in 1844.

The yew hedges and topiary were added from the 19th century in a bid to reinstate some sense of a formal parterre after so much of the original 17th century garden was boldly swept away during Brown's tenure at Burghley as Landscape Designer and Architect. Nineteenth century Blashfield terracotta urns form the centrepieces of the restored fountains. The rose garden is planted with modern varieties of rose from David Austin which are free-flowering and highly scented. And there's more!

Closing Date: **Sunday 10th May 2025**

Application forms are with your WI's Secretary

A ballot will take place if this event is over subscribed

APPLICATION FORM

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NAME OF WI..... CONTACT .....

PHONE NUMBER ..... EMAIL .....

	Name of Attendee BLOCK CAPITALS	Contact Phone Number	Member or non-member	Choice of Day **Weds 20.05**	**Tues 02.06**	Allergies
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Refreshments: Tea or Coffee	**Cream Tea:** Fruit Scones served with Clotted Cream & Tiptree Jam

You will be able to purchase additional food on the day.

Application forms should be returned either by post to WI Office, Pattinson House, Oak Park, East Road, Sleaford NG34 7EG or by email to events@lsfwi.org.uk with **PA&E BUR26** as the subject plus the name of the WI as the reference to arrive no later than **Sunday 10th May 2026**

BACS is the preferred payment method but **DO NOT make a BACS Payment until the application is confirmed.** Once applications are confirmed payment details will be sent out and payment must be made by **Wednesday 13th May 2026**.

Cheque payment to be made payable to LSFWI and posted to the office address to arrive no later than **Sunday 10th May 2026**

Please note: Cancellations made by applicants before the Closing Date will not be charged but, **cancellations made after that time must still be paid for**. If an event or trip is over-subscribed, a ballot for tickets will take place. Any cheques received where a place is not allocated will be destroyed.