

### U3A Garden Group Programme 2026

| <b>Date</b>  | <b>Activity</b>  | <b>Details: who/where</b>  |
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| February 6th   | Meeting          | “ <b>Landscape Design History of Ushaw</b> ” Ady Shaw, Head Gardener & Estate Manager<br><a href="#">Ushaw: Historic House, Chapels &amp; Gardens - Ushaw: Historic House, Chapels &amp; Gardens</a>                     |
| March 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Visit (half day) | <b>Kiplin Hall Snowdrop stroll (HH)</b><br><a href="https://kiplinhall.co.uk/">https://kiplinhall.co.uk/</a>   |
| April 10 <sup>th</sup><br>(Second Friday of the month to avoid Easter) | Meeting          | “ <b>Making the most of bulbs</b> ”. Steve Bradley<br><a href="http://www.garden.help">www.garden.help</a>   |
| May 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Visit            | <b>Howick Hall Gardens and Arboretum</b><br><a href="#">Howick Hall Gardens &amp; Arboretum - Howick Hall Gardens</a>  |
| June 5th   | Visit            | <b>Littlethorpe Manor Gardens (am)</b> <a href="#">Littlethorpe Manor Gardens - Ripon, North Yorkshire</a><br>& <b>Ripley Castle Gardens (pm)</b> <a href="#">Ripley Castle and Gardens - Harrogate, North Yorkshire</a> |
| July 3rd   | Visit            | <b>Scampston Hall &amp; Gardens (HH)</b> <a href="#">Scampston Hall - Home - Malton, North Yorkshire</a>   |
| August 7th   | Visit            | <b>Sutton Park (HH)</b><br><a href="#">Welcome to Sutton Park</a>  |
| September 4th  | Visit            | <b>Thorpe Perrow Arboretum</b><br><a href="#">Your Visit (Home) - Thorp Perrow</a>   |
| October 2nd  | Meeting          | “ <b>The Show must go on</b> ” (Harrogate Flower Show). Nick Smith, Show Director  |
| November 6th   | Meeting          | “ <b>Ripon Workhouse Gardens</b> ”. Sue Wood<br><a href="#">Workhouse Museum - Ripon Museums</a>   |
| December 4th   | Christmas Event  | To be planned  |

The group meetings are held in Stainton Village Hall at 2.00pm. The charge for each meeting is £3.00 per person. This is to cover the costs for hiring the hall, the speaker’s expenses and refreshments.

The visits are priced according to the cost of the coach hire and the group entrance fees.