FELIXSTOWE TRAVEL WATCH

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GENERAL INFORMATION

All train tours start and finish at Felixstowe railway station, with the advantage of near-by on-street parking if needed. (The Co-op have not so far charged to use their customer car park) Options to pick up and drop off at Trimley or Derby Road stations. Your "FTW Tour Guide" will be on hand to be sure that you buy the correct ticket and escort you as we change trains along the routes, with advice on places to go and things to do at our destinations.

TOUR 1 ELY BY TRAIN ON THURSDAY (MARKET DAY) 23RD JUNE 2022

Ely, best known for its magnificent cathedral offers a range of attractions to the day-visitor including the beautiful waterside walk, the neighbouring Jubilee Gardens, art gallery and the regions largest antique centre, and a number of popular eateries. Thursday is Market Day (closes 3.30pm) when the city is busier Train station is just a few minutes walk from the riverside or about 10 minutes to the city centre and cathedral - see map printed overleaf.

Tourist Information Centre is in Oliver Cromwell's House - www.visitely.org.uk

<u>Cathedral</u> It is 700 years since the collapse of the central tower, which led to the creation of the unique octagon. The cathedral entrance is through the west door (main door) so as you go up from the station keep walking along "The Gallery" which leads to the main door. There is no longer a Refectory in the cathedral, but there are several cafes / restaurants nearby <u>Cathedral entrance tickets £8.50.</u> Note - the cathedral "kindly requests that tickets are booked in advance at least one hour ahead of your visit and will be sent via email to be printed or downloaded to a smart phone" and "It is possible to buy a ticket on arrival, but be prepared to queue especially at peak times. It may be possible for your tour guide to phone on the day and make a block reservation to reduce waiting time". (Sue.Inman@elycathedral.org tel. 01353 660359)

For more information about the cathedral and buy your entrance ticket - www.elycathedral.org.

<u>Depart Felixstowe</u> 09.28 (Trimley 09.31 or Derby Road 09.41,) arrive Ipswich 09:54 (platform 3B) depart on the 10:01 (platform 3B) to <u>arrive in Ely at 10.58</u>
At the time of writing we don't have to change trains at Ipswich because the inbound from Felixstowe train on arrival at Ipswich becomes the outgoing Ely train.

<u>LEAVE</u> If you leave Ely for the homeward journey on the 16.31 it allows you a good five hours to explore, shop and eat.

<u>Depart Ely</u> 16.31 (platform 2) to arrive in Ipswich 17.27 (platform 4B) change to platform 2B to depart on the 17.58 and arrive in <u>Felixstowe at 18.24</u>. Or stay two hours longer and catch the 18.31 to get you back to Felixstowe at 20.24.

Return Fare £20.40 (or £13.45 with a Railcard)

