## ON THE GAINSBOROUGH LINE

Join us for a walk from Bures railway station enjoying the beautiful countryside which was the inspiration for painters such as Gainsborough. We will be walking out through Suffolk and return via Essex.

The walk goes to the Lodge Hills. We pass the Neolithic earthwork of the Bures cursus on the way out, then the model farm at Smallbridge Hall, and the magnificent Hall itself.

After crossing the "two counties" bridge between Essex and Suffolk we'll go through the garden of Wormingford Mill to the top of Lodge Hills which is the site of an Elizabethan hunting lodge, with great views, before descending beside the mere, where legend has it that the Bures dragon lives.

We then follow the line of the Wormingford cursus and pass the traditional Bures Mill on our way back into the village.

There will be the opportunity to finish with a pub lunch for those that are interested.

## Saturday 19 March 2022

Start time : Approximately 10.30 am at Bures Railway Station, after the arrival of the train from Sudbury. Trains from Marks Tey arrive at 10.13 and from Sudbury at 10.34.

To book your FREE TICKET visit www.esscrp.org.uk

Disclaimer: This walk will be led by a volunteer with knowledge of the area. By undertaking the walk you are taking responsibility for your own safety.

Allow up to three and a half hours for the walk, which is a leisurely four and a half miles long of moderate difficulty.

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