<u>Visit to Middleton Hall</u> Friday 29 September 2023



Kings Bromley Historians enjoyed a visit to Middleton Hall, near Tamworth, on Friday 29 September. After refreshments, the group was given an extensive guided tour of the different buildings.

From the 15<sup>th</sup> century up to 1925 it was owned by the Willoughby family who received the title of Lords of Middleton. By 1980 the Hall had fallen into total disrepair through neglect, but the Middleton Hall Trust was formed and local pressure groups such as Tamworth Civic Society and the Council for the Preservation of Rural England lobbied the then owners to renovate the Hall. Amey Roadstone gave substantial grants for ten years to pay for materials and the Trust has since gathered its own resources with some help from private companies and public bodies. The Hall is currently leased and cared for by a charitable trust largely operated by volunteers who have lovingly restored the buildings and grounds over the years.

The group visited the Stone Building, the oldest building on the estate, the Jettied Building and explored the various rooms in the Hall. It was a fascinating tour, with a lot of interesting history about the different inhabitants of Middleton Hall over the years. There was an opportunity to also visit the walled garden after the lunch provided.











