

# **Gawsworth Hall Access Statement**

## **Arrival:**

There is a designated parking area in the car park and access from here is up the slightly sloping drive to the Hall. Alternatively visitors with limited mobility can park in the drive adjacent to the Hall entrance.

## **General Site Accessibility:**

Visitors need to be aware that this is a historic building with original features which is privately owned and access for those with mobility issues is necessarily restricted. N.B. The Hall has a stepped entrance. The rose garden adjacent to the theatre area has level access however the rest of the grounds are laid to lawn and have natural contours including a wooded bank. N.B. It is on these areas that events such as craft fairs are held.

There is level wheelchair access (with a designated viewing area) to the Garden theatre for which Gawsworth is renowned. Every effort will be made to accommodate the special needs of visitors wishing to attend the performances, however prior notice is essential and needs to be stated clearly when booking.

## **Toilets (attached to tearoom):**

Facility has wheelchair turning space, room for a carer, grab rails. Left hand transfer to the toilet (slightly impeded). Easy access to the washbasin and hand towels.

## **Tearoom:**

Access to the Orchard Tearoom is down a gentle slope on a well-surfaced path and internal access is good with sufficient room around the tables.

## **Other:**

Visitors with limited mobility who are able to negotiate the front steps to view the ground floor may be given a concessionary entrance fee but this is at the discretion of the owners. Please note that there is limited space for wheelchair users wishing to use the theatre so early booking for a performance is essential. Assistance dogs are welcome in the garden. They must be registered as working dogs and because of health and safety issues with the staircases, prior notice is needed for people who are bringing assistance dogs and wish to view the house.