

St Michael's Church, Shotwick

Heritage Open Day - Saturday 20th September

10.00am to 4.00pm



St Michael's Church is a Grade 1 listed building which dates back to the 12th century but was largely rebuilt in the 14th century. The oldest part is the carved Norman doorway while the tower was built around 1500. Notable features include the medieval arrow sharpening grooves in the porch and the 17th/18th century furnishings – the canopied churchwarden's pew, the box pews and the three decker pulpit.

Visitors are welcome to join us and take part in the following activities:-

Self guided tours highlighting the main features of the church – sheets available for adults and children.

Demonstrations of **bell ringing** with the opportunity to try ringing a bell under supervision.

Tower tours to the roof of the tower for views of the surrounding countryside. These will take place at 11.30, 13.20 and 14.30 and will be limited to 6 people at a time. Sensible shoes and clothing must be worn.

Finding out about what is involved in playing the **organ** with the opportunity to try it out – at 13.30 and 14.40.

Guided walks round Shotwick village at 10.30, 12.10, 14.00 and 15.20.

There will also be a small display about the **stained glass** artist Trena Mary Cox (1895-1980) who designed the altar window depicting the Archangel Michael.

Refreshments available all day

There is a car park opposite the church and toilet facilities are available.

There is a ramp for wheelchair access. The paths to the toilet are well made but up a slope. Assistance available if required.

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