

Committee:	FULL COUNCIL
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Report for Council on Senior Citizens' Outings in 2018 and Proposals for Outings for 2019.

Five outings were arranged for senior citizens in 2018

- 16 May – Kings Lynn
- 13 June - Brighton
- 11 July - Cromer
- 12 September - Eastbourne
- 10 October - Windsor

These outings proved popular, with 359 people on our bookings database. We had four Coaches for all the trips. Places were offered from the reserve list for each outing and everyone on the list was offered a place on most trips.

A questionnaire was distributed among travellers on the penultimate trip and we received 123 replies, with overwhelmingly positive comments. All the forms received said they enjoyed the outings.

On the strength of the suggestions received for next year's trips, three local coach companies were asked to quote for possible venues for trips in 2019

Town (May and October):

- Canterbury
- Henley-on-Thames

Seaside (June, July and September):

- Broadstairs
- Sheringham
- Southwold

Quotes were received from Kings coaches the following prices per coach:

- Canterbury £595
- Henley on Thames £645
- Broadstairs £615
- Sheringham £625
- Southwold £525

Quotations were requested from 4 other companies but no quotations were received.

Recommendation: That members note this report and decide whether:

- To run the trips again in 2019
- To accept the quotation from Kings Coaches
- To go to Canterbury and Henley town destinations and Broadstairs, Sheringham and Southwold seaside destinations
- To increase the cost of the trips in 2019 for Halstead Residents and non-residents (price this year was £13.50 and £19.00) – proposed £14.50 and £20

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