

February 2023

Transforming Norwich – Membership Donations 2023

Dear Transforming Norwich Member,

Transforming Norwich is a group of Christian church, organisational and charity leaders partnering together in the gospel, on the basis of shared mission, friendship, values and beliefs; for the purpose of facilitating and encouraging good relationships between Christian leaders, their churches and organisations.

It is always encouraging to meet up with other brothers and sisters in Christ and to encourage, strengthen and pray together. Over the last year, that has become more evident as we all negotiate through these difficult times within our churches and organisations.

“I’m a relatively new Pastor in Norwich and so the TN lunches have been really helpful in connecting with and developing friendships with other people working in the same harvest field, whilst enjoying some great food. I’d recommend getting along!” Andy Rees Lead Pastor of CityGates Church, Norwich.

It was wonderful to see the Norwich Passion Play performed on the city streets last Easter, not only bringing the Gospel message to thousands of people but also enabling many different Norwich churches to come together in putting it on. Transforming Norwich was delighted to be able to play a key role in both promoting it and helping raise the necessary finance. And the video will be available for free this Easter for use by local churches.

Your financial support of Network Norfolk is essential to the communication between churches in the region. Network Norfolk continues to enable a shared voice as we reconnect with each other becoming more active and visible.

None of this would have been possible without the generous support of local churches and organisations who are passionate about unity and are willing to give generously in time and money to make it happen. We understand there will be lots of demands on limited resources at this time, but we hope that you will feel that this small suggested donation is an incredible investment in our shared ministry.

Our purpose, this year, will primarily be achieved through the following activities:

1. Transforming Norwich Steering Group: this team will consist of up to 12 church (min of 8), charity or organisational senior leaders from the Greater Norwich area. This team will be responsible for the organising and administration of the meetings and helping guide some of the communication to the Christian community through Network Norfolk.

<https://www.networknorwich.co.uk/transformingnorwich>

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2. Hosting Leaders lunches: the aim of these is to provide a context for existing friendships to deepen and new friendships to be made. At each lunch, someone will speak briefly with the aim of encouraging leaders and/or provoking us to mission. It has been found that through friendships made in this context a number of shared initiatives have come about.
3. Communicating primarily through Network Norfolk: the aim of this is to communicate to Christians around the Norfolk area promoting the events and activities of local churches, Christian organisations and charities.
4. Giving from local churches & organisations: The money that comes in will be used in four ways.
 - 1) Helping fund the lunches and paying for speaker expenses and gifts,
 - 2) Helping to support the running costs of Network Norfolk,
 - 3) Administration costs for Transforming Norwich, and
 - 4) Any leftover will be given away to an agreed upon charity, church or project in the city for the purpose of mission.

There will not be a set membership fee but we would encourage each member church or organisation to give motivated by grace, to support the work of Transforming Norwich. As a guideline to giving, if 30 churches gave £100 each, the annual costs would be covered, but we appreciate that some churches are able to give more while others give less.

5. Joining the Steering Group: Any member of Transforming Norwich can recommend a senior church or Christian organisational leader to become part of the Steering Group. This will be an informal process reflecting the relational direction of Transforming Norwich. While leaders will be proposed to the Steering Group, we will ensure there will be a wider consultation among the members of Transforming Norwich as we seek for diverse representation and unity of the Spirit.

We hope Churches, organisations and individuals are encouraged and equipped through the work of Transforming Norwich and will continue to support us in the coming year.

Blessings,

Transforming Norwich Steering Group

Nick Blanch – Norwich Youth for Christ

Toby Skipper – King's Church

Madeline Light – St Stephen's Church

Craig Deal – Gateway Vineyard The Chapel

Keith Morris – Network Norfolk

Trevor Pimlott – Soul Church

Debbie Pearson – Salvation Army

Tim Yau – Pioneer Missioner

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Future dates and venues for 2023:

Wednesday 15th March	The Willow Centre, Cringleford
Wednesday 17th May	Salvation Army Citadel, Norwich
Wednesday 5th July	Adat Yeshua Messianic Synagogue, Norwich tbc
Wednesday 20th September	Redeemed Christian Church of God, Norwich
Wednesday 15 th November	Gateway Vineyard The Chapel, Norwich

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Annual Membership Donations

If possible, donations would be preferred by BACS to:

Transforming Norwich

Sort code: 20-62-53

Account: 90674117

Please ensure the name of your church or organisation is clearly referenced.

If you are making a payment by BACS please send a remittance advice to transformingnorwich@gmail.com

Or alternatively, please make cheques payable to "Transforming Norwich" and send with the remittance slip below to:

Lisa Fifield

Admin Transforming Norwich

c/o St Stephen's Church,

Rampant Horse Street,

Norwich.

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If you require an invoice in order for a donation payment to be authorised please request this by emailing transformingnorwich@gmail.com stating the amount you would like to donate. Thank you.

REMITTANCE SLIP: Transforming Norwich - Membership Donation for 2023

I enclose a cheque for £

Name (Pastor/Vicar/Treasurer/Secretary/Church Leader)

Church/Organisation

Address (for correspondence/billing)

Email (if you are not currently receiving our emails)



Please return to: Lisa Fifield, c/o St Stephen's Church, Rampant Horse Street, Norwich NR2 1QP