

## Annual General Meeting

30th April 2023



### Agenda

- 1. Welcome to the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress
- 2. The Lord Mayor of Norwich, Councillor James Wright
- 3. Apologies
- 4. Approval of the Minutes of the 2023 AGM
- 5. Matters Arising
- 6. Chair's Presentation
- 7. Treasurer's report and adoption of the Annual Accounts
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# The Lord Mayor of Norwich Councillor James Wright



## Apologies



# Approval of the Minutes of the 2023 AGM

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## Matters Arising



### Chair's Presentation

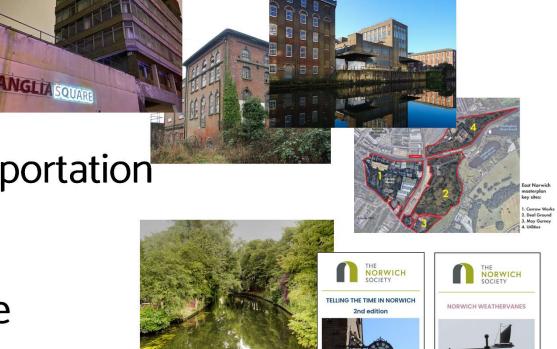


### **Chairs Presentation**

- Centenary Year Activities
- Planning Appraisal

Strategic Planning and Transportation
 Committee

- Civic Environment Committee
- Building Conservation Committee





### **Chairs Presentation**

### The Impact of Climate Change

- Conference
- Norwich specific historic buildings Retro-fit Toolkit



### Design & Craftsmanship Awards 2023

Celebrating modern design with the Design and Craftsmanship Awards











### Congratulations to all award winners







### Sir Bernard Fielden Award

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For excellence in alterations and restoration of an historic building

### Drayton Lodge Norwich

Drayton Old Lodge Ltd

Architect: Ruth Brennan Architecture

Contractor: S&L Restoration

Consultant: Rossi Long Consulting







### Chairs Presentation

### Thanks to

- Everybody on the Centenary Planning Group for making our Centenary Year a great success, in particular Vanessa Trevelyan for her work on the Norwich 100 exhibition.
- The Publications Working Group for the Members Magazine 'Aspects of Norwich, and Vicky Manthorpe for the Autumn 2023 Centenary Edition.
- Members of our Planning Appraisal; Strategic Planning and Transport; Conservation and Environment; and Building Conservations Committees for their hard work.
- The Publicity and Events Working Group, and in particular Michael Blackwell for finding so many interesting speakers for our Talks Series.
- The Forum Trust for making the Norwich 100 exhibition possible.
- The late Fred Dustin for his wonderful photographs.
- Larking Gowen for supporting out membership mailings.
- IDS Systems for continued patronage.





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# Treasurer's report and adoption of the Annual Accounts



### 2023 Accounts

- The Society's total income from General activities for the year ended 31 December 2023 was £28,763 compared to £26,304 in 2022, an increase of £2,459.
- The majority of the Society's income continued to be in the form of membership fees total membership income for the year was £16,069 compared to £15,745 in 2022.
- General costs for 2023 totalled £47,088 compared to £26,031 in 2022. About £10,000 of this increase related to the the Society's website and on-line systems. Most of the remaining related to publications and eventsoffset by the additional income.
- Gift Aid reclaims continue to be an important source of income for the Society. The Gift Aid claim for 2023 amounted to £2,515, and this has been received from HMRC in 2024.
- Overall, the Society incurred a deficit of £18,325 in 2023 on General activities compared to a surplus of £273 in 2022. Whilst disappointing, the deficit was expected and largely reflected an under-investment in the Society's IT and website in recent years. The expectation is that the Society will not have any similar one-off costs in 2024.
- At 31 December 2023, the Society's total reserves amounted to £41,592. This included cash at bank of £39,978 compared to £56,071 at 31 December 2022.
- Subscription fees and events and publication prices have been increased enable a break-event budget to be achieved in 2024.



### 2023 Accounts

THE NORWICH SOCIETY CIO PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT TWELVE MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2023

	Dec-23 General £	Dec-23 Centenary £	Dec-23 Total £
Subscriptions	15,569		15,569
Business Patron membership	500		500
Events:			
Income Less costs	3,332 (2,873)	2,280 (1,457)	5,612 (4,330)
Less costs	(2,873)	(1,457)	(4,330)
Net events income	459	823	1,282
Donations	2,476	4,052	6,528
Legacies	-	(7)	
Grant	-	5,000	5,000
Bank interest	921		921
Publications:			
Advertising	-		-
Sales income	3,450		3,450
Less costs	(5,954)	-	(5,954)
Net publications income	(2,504)	0	(2,504)
Gift aid tax recovery	2,515	-	2,515
Gross surplus	19,936	9,875	29,811
Overheads:			
AGM costs	228		228
Advertising and promotion	584	-	584
Website development costs	9,784	-	9,784
Co-ordinator	20,643	4,688	25,331
Office costs	1,071		1,071
Printing, postage and stationery Rent	949 2.640		949 2.640
Telephone and internet	946	-	946
Society projects	672	2.058	2.730
Governance	200	-	200
Subscriptions	544	-	544
Total overheads	38,261	6,746	45,007
(Deficit)/surplus for 12 months	(18,325)	3,129	(15,196)

### The Norwich Society

### Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2023

	TOTA	TOTAL		
	AS OF DEC 31, 2023	AS OF DEC 31, 2022 (PY)		
Fixed Asset				
Tangible assets				
Office Equipment Cost	5,028.06	5,028.06		
Office Equipment Depreciation	-5,028.06	-5,028.06		
Total Tangible assets	00.03	£0.00		
Non-Current Assets				
Amortisation of Society branding	-14,880.00	-14,880.00		
Society Branding	14,880.00	14,880.00		
Total Non-Current Assets	£0.00	£0.00		
Total Fixed Asset	£0.00	£0.00		
Cash at bank and in hand				
Barclays Current	18,523.89	34,616.80		
Barclays Savings	21.09	20.89		
Barclays Savings IAS	0.00	0.00		
Cash on hand	0.00	0.00		
COIF account	21,432.97	21,432.97		
Total Cash at bank and in hand	£39,977.95	£56,070.66		
Debtors				
Debtors	270.00	120.00		
Total Debtors	£270.00	£120.00		
Current Assets				
Gift aid debtors	2,515.46	2,075.64		
Prepaid Expenses	1,008.00	0.00		
Stock Asset	0.00	0.00		
Uncategorised Asset	0.00	0.00		
Total Current Assets	£3,523.46	£2,075.64		
NET CURRENT ASSETS	£43,771.41	£58,266.30		
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year				
Current Liabilities				
Accruals and Deferred Income	2,178.96	1,477.60		
Total Current Liabilities	£2,178.96	£1,477.60		
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	£2,178.96	£1,477.60		
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£41,592.45	£56,788.70		
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	£41,592.45	£56,788.70		
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£41,592.45	£56,788.70		
Capital and Reserves	27300,458e 4875,6771,45			
Opening Balance Equity	105,163.19	105,163.19		
Retained Earnings	-48.374.49	-48,647.56		
Profit for the year	-15,196.25	273.07		
Total Capital and Reserves	£41,592.45	£56,788.70		



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# Events and Communications



### Centenary launch 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023





### Centenary walks – thanks to Norwich City Guides

- 1923 and All That starting at Bishop Bridge, ending at The Assembly House
- Tombland and the Riverside Walk Celebrating Public Open Space in the City
- Life and Commerce of the Riverside and Port of Norwich
- Charing Cross to St. Andrew's Plain
- Elm Hill
- The Complete Lanes
- Black Tower & Walls
- Prince of Wales Road















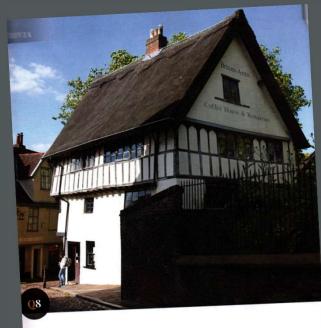


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### Publicity - Norfolk Magazine- September 2023



**QUIZ**How much do you know about historic Norwich?

Celebrate the centenary of the Norwich Society with a quiz compiled by Jonathan Hooton of the group which has been championing the city's heritage for 100 years

PHOTOS: Denise Bradley

1. The Norwich Society was founded in 1923 to fight plans to demolish medieval Bishop Bridge. Why did the to replace the bridge c) To turn it into a

part of Elm Hill. What was c) A swimming pool

3. Norwich Girls' High School was based in the Assembly House until 1935. How did the Norwich Society prevent the demolition of to buy the building c) Stupped the school from getting the listed building de-listed

b) The Maid's Head

e) Narwich University

Hill is the oldest building,

and one of three thatched

b) The Garnet pub

5. Many bombed build were demolished after the Second World War but the Norwich Society saved this tower from St Julian's Church b) The tower of Norwich's oldest windmill c) The tower of St Benedict's Church

6. How was the Norwich Society involved in an entrance b) It sponsored an artist to design the logo buildings survive within the city walls today?

saved, restored and rehomed a panorsens panel of Norwich built by wealthy brewer by John Moray-Smith, It was Robert Gybson in 1578. provide the public with what! a) drinking water

> ouse and neighbouring Tudor buildings on Palace Plain were Society and restored by the Preservation Trust in the 1980s. Which famous perso lived here and gave it its name?
>
> a) John Crome
>
> b) John Sell Cotman c) Nugent Monck

Tombland is one of the most photographed in Norwich. Which former mayor is thought a) Dick Whitzington

as a clue, what was the job



ANSWERS

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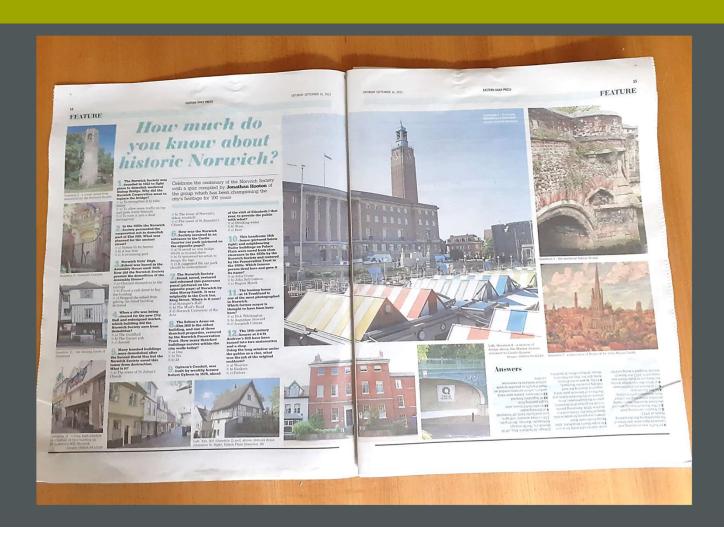
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### Publicity - EDP Quiz - September 2023





### Headline event in The Forum - September 2023



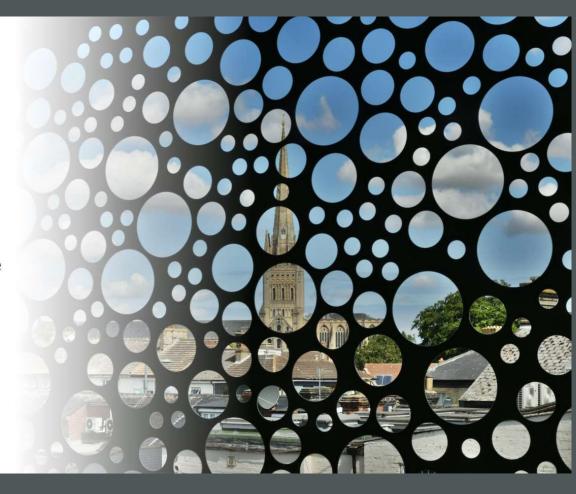
Celebrating Norwich since 1923

### Norwich 100

Caring for the past & the future

How the Norwich Society has supported Norwich for 100 years







### Exhibition members' launch



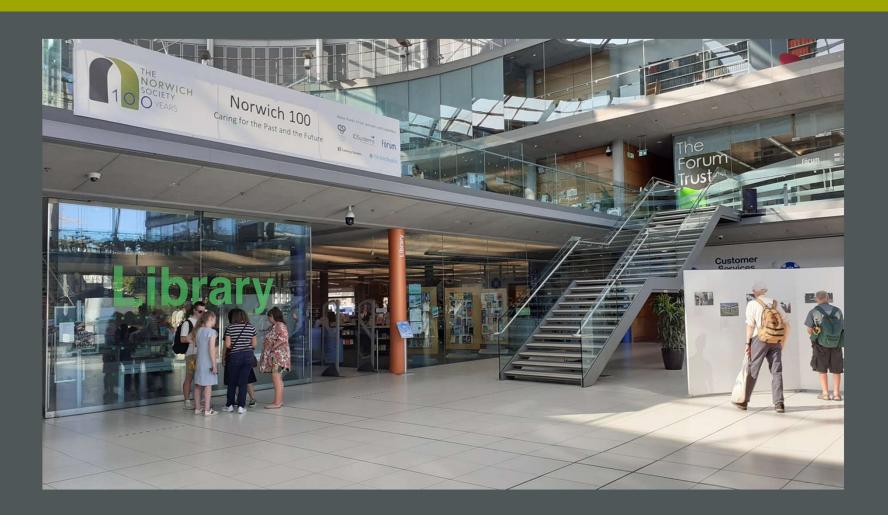


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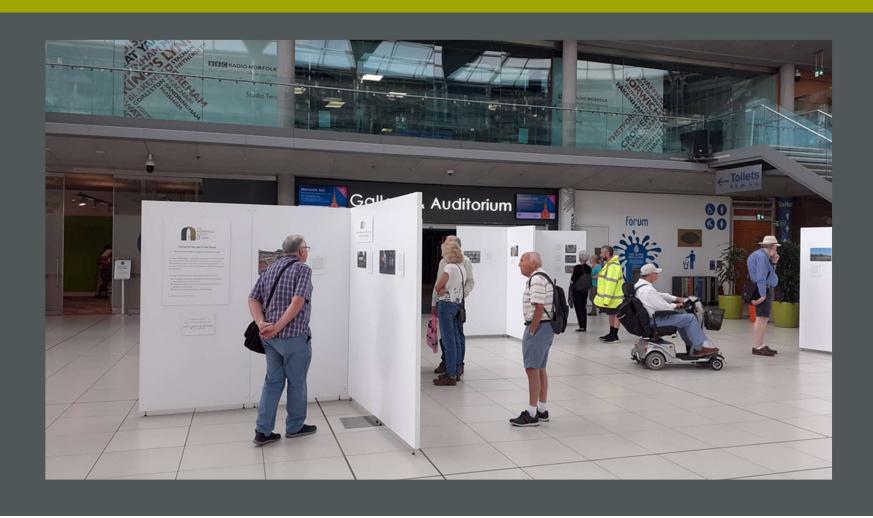


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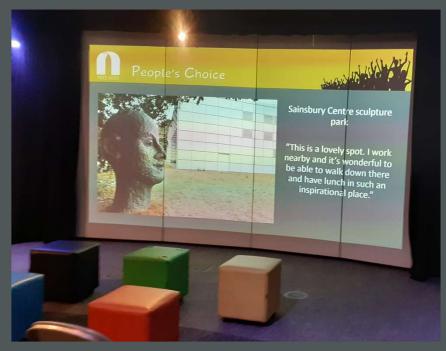
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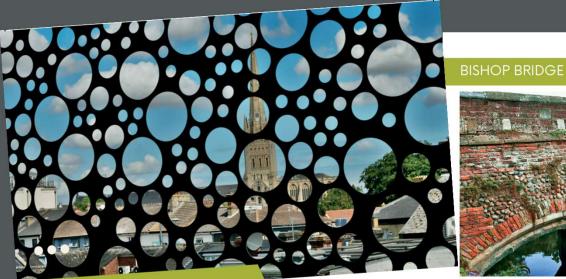
### Gallery slide shows







### Exhibition catalogue



NORWICH 100

### CARING FOR THE PAST & THE FUTURE



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There is no other heritage building more important to the Norwich Society this medieval bridge, which was built around 1340. The gatehouse had been taken down in 1791 as its weight threatened to damage the bridge. In 1923 t 1ty wanted to widen the bridge for traffic and to replace the river piers with jan to improve the river flow and guard against flooding. This so enraged youp of Norwich architects and archaeologists that they formed the Norwic ociety in March 1923. After having heard a talk on the procedures for listing uildings they drew up a list of 27 structures, including Bishop Bridge, which because they placed on the Schedule of Ancient Monuments. The proposed idening work did not go ahead, and Bishop Bridge now provides a scenic adestrian route into Norwich.

ENCOURAGING THE PRESERVATION, DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF FEATURES OF GENERAL PUBLIC AMENITY OR HISTORIC INTEREST

How the Norwich Society has supported Norwich for 100 years



### Fred Dustin 1941-2023

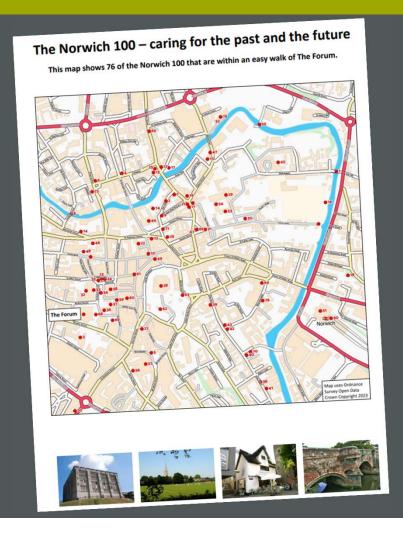


Many thanks to our photographer, Fred Dustin, who worked tirelessly for over 18 months to get the right shots for our exhibition and sadly died in September. He will be greatly missed.





### Norwich 100 trail



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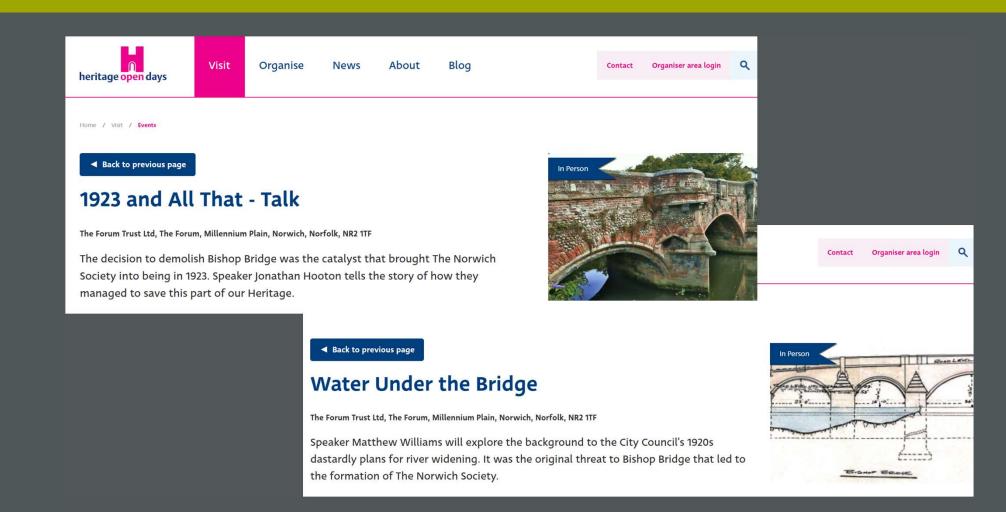
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### Centenary talks in The Forum





### Greeting our visitors



32,395 people visited
The Forum during our
exhibition, all of whom
would have been aware
of the display and many
of whom spent a long
time looking at the
photos and reading the
captions.



## ...Some came from a galaxy far, far away





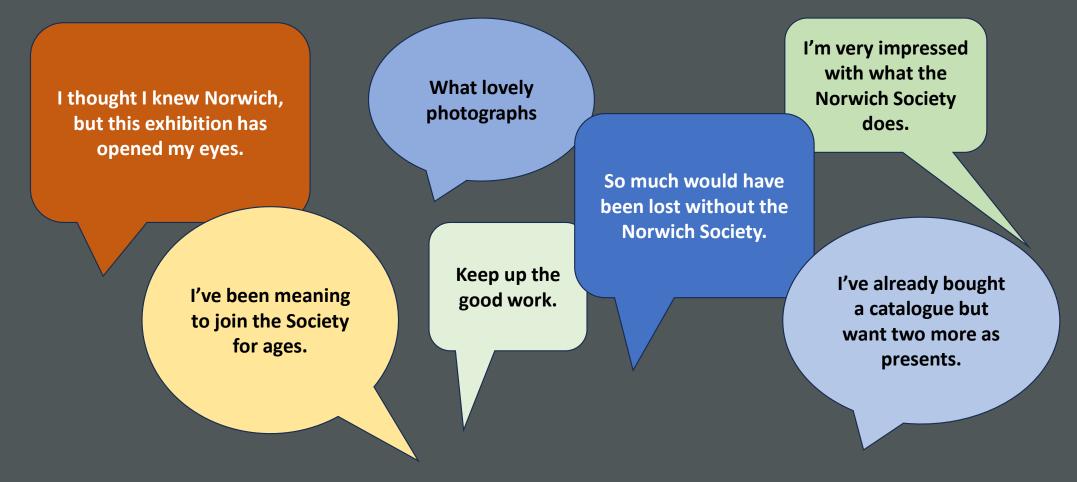


# Yet another intergalactic visitor





## What people said about our exhibition





# We gained 54 new members





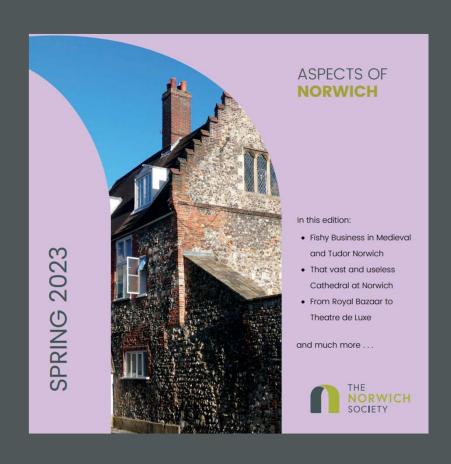
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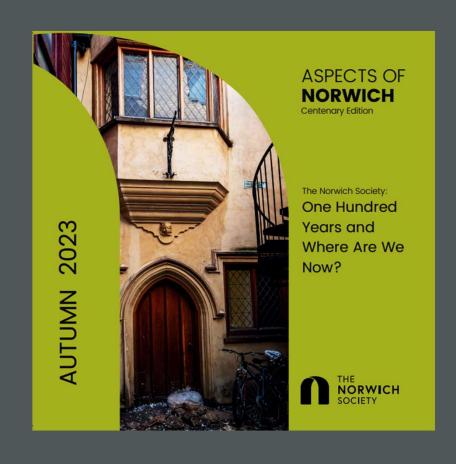


Many thanks to Katie, Sam and the whole Forum team for hosting our centenary exhibition and going the extra mile to help us make it such a success.



## Aspects of Norwich – centenary special







# Centenary dinner - 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024





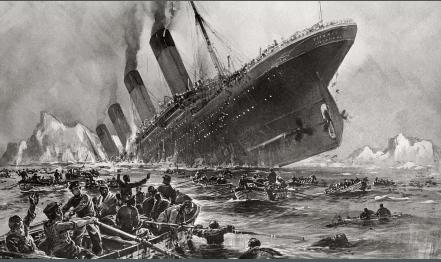


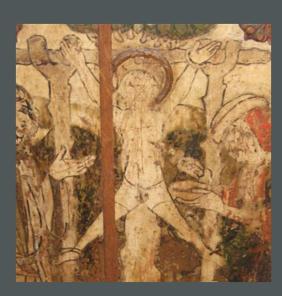
## Thursday talks

Treasures of Norwich Cathedral Alexander Neville Norfolk Survivors of the Titanic William of Norwich











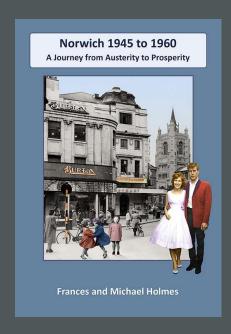
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Jenny Lind and the Establishment of the Norwich Children's Hospital Kett's Rebellion

Norwich 1945 to 1960: A Journey from Austerity to Prosperity









#### Thursday talks

The Remarkable life of Thomas Fowell Buxton
The Ups and Downs of Elm Hill, c.1450-2023
The Days of The Norwich Trams
Manifestations of Madness at the Norfolk Asylum





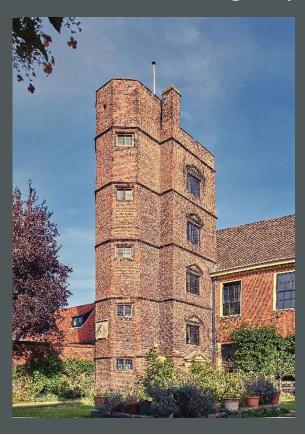




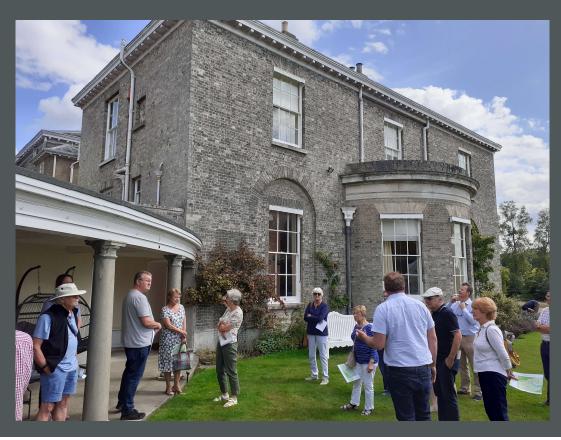


#### Visits

#### Clifton House, King's Lynn



#### **Hoveton Hall**





## Healthy environment day



## Many thanks to our sponsors and supporters









The Great Hospital





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# Officers and Trustees Election



#### **Executive Committee set-up**

#### Positions available

- The Executive Committee is made up of four Officer positions, and up to eight additional Executive Committee members
- The following officer positions are open for election this year:

The chair is elected for a fixed term of two years

- o Vice-Chair
- Honorary Treasurer
- Honorary Secretary

#### Criteria for election

- The Norwich Society CIO's constitution lays out the criteria for a successful election:
  - A quorum of members (defined as 5%) must be present- in this case equating to 37 attendees
  - A candidate must receive a majority of votes cast at the meeting



#### Voting

#### Officer positions

#### Vice-Chair

Candidate: David Taylor (re-election)

#### **Honorary Secretary**

Candidate: David Taylor (re-election)

#### Honorary Treasurer

Candidate: Neil Sturgeon (re-election)

#### Trustee positions

- Candidate: Willem Buttinger (re-election)
- Candidate: Alan Theobald (re-election)
- Candidate: John Howkins (re-election)
- Candidate: Michael Jordan (re-election)
- Candidate: Karen Watling (election)

Simeon Jackson is standing down.



# Any other business



#### **TALK**



# The Work of the Norwich Historic churches Trust



Sarah Gore
Chair of Trustees







Celebrating Norwich since 1923

**Promoting Heritage; Shaping Tomorrow**