

FARE INCREASE FROM 1ST APRIL 2025

Charities across the UK have faced significant challenges in recent years following the pandemic, the cost of living crisis and rising operational and core costs. Norwich Door to Door is no exception and has experienced increases in vehicle maintenance costs, fuel, and staffing costs as well as seeing a drop in volunteer numbers.

Despite this, the charity has managed to absorb the financial burden and keep fares as low as possible for passengers. However, with the economic challenges forecast for the charitable sector in 2025, including less government funding, fewer grants available from trusts/foundations and a reduction in individual donations, the board of trustees has agreed that a small fare increase is to be implemented from 1st April 2025 to help cover rising costs. The proposed new prices are expected to be signed off in March and the fares below are likely to be agreed.

UP TO 1 MILE - £4
1 TO 5 MILES - £5
OVER 5 MILES - £7

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STODY LODGE GARDENS OPEN DAY

Norwich Door to Door is delighted to have been selected as the beneficiary charity to host the teas in the gorgeous Stody Lodge gardens on Thursday, 22nd May. All monies raised from this event are for Norwich Door to Door.

As well as hosting the teas, we will be offering our passengers the opportunity to come along and support us whilst enjoying a day out exploring the beautiful gardens. If you would like to join us on what should be a lovely day out, please call to register your interest as soon as possible.



Norwich Door to Door WHAT'S ON

MORE TO DOOR

The M2D team were out for the first time this year on 10th February, visiting our regulars with a range of items on sale including seasonal goods, plants stationery, stamps, puzzles and gifts, as well providing books from the mobile library. They will be out again on **Monday 7th April and Monday 12th May**. Please contact the office if you would like to be added to the schedule for a visit.

TRIPS

Plans for summer trips are in the pipeline. We hope to secure funding towards these to keep the costs as low as possible for passengers. If you are aware of a business who would like to sponsor these trips or make a contribution towards passengers fares, please get in touch with Kathleen on 01603 776735 or email kathleen@norwichdoortodoor.org.uk.

In the meantime, as we finalise the summer trip details, we have arranged trips to the Wymondham Garden Centre, 7th April and Wroxham/Wroxham Barns 30th May.

As always, these trips are likely to be highly oversubscribed and dependent on bus and volunteer availability. To avoid disappointment, please register your interest as soon as possible.

EASTER STALL AND RAFFLE

The Easter Raffle will take place on Wed **16th April**, with tickets going on sale mid March. Keep an eye out for these on the bus!

We will have our usual Easter stall in the main reception of the Norwich Community Hospital on **Tuesday 15th April and Wednesday 16th April**. If you would like to volunteer on the stall please contact Emma on 01603 776735 or email community@norwichdoortodoor.org.uk

QUIZ NIGHT

Our immensely popular Quiz Night is just round the corner. Tickets go fast so please book your your place as soon as possible by calling the office or emailing community@norwichdoortodoor.org.uk. Teams of 6 but we will place you with others if you are coming on your own. Please invite friends and family - it's a fun night out!



CHARITY Quiz! NIGHT

SATURDAY 29TH MARCH, 7PM

TICKETS £12 FISH & CHIP SUPPER | £9 SPRING ROLL OR SAUSAGE & CHIPS

* MAX 6 PEOPLE IN A TEAM * TOMBOLA * TEA & COFFEE ON SALE * BRING YOUR OWN SNACKS *

DOORS OPEN AT 6.45PM | QUIZ 7PM-10PM

TO BOOK CALL 01603 776735 | EMAIL COMMUNITY@NORWICHDOORTODOOR.ORG.UK

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FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Gifts, donations and subscriptions from passengers, supporters, volunteers and staff make a real difference in helping Norwich Door to Door achieve its fundraising goals and enhance the excellent service it provides, and we are extremely grateful for the incredible support received from everyone last year.



2024 ended on a fundraising high with the Christmas hamper raffle and stall raising more than £1,000! Big thanks to everyone involved!

YOUR COINS COUNT!

The various collections including the 5p jars, bucket collections, and in-store tin collections, have raised a healthy £1,600.00 this financial year.



The Broadland Community Lottery and the 200 Club collectively raised a further £2,000 towards Norwich Door to Door's core costs. You can join the lottery here and help us double the figure in 2025!

Scan the QR code or visit <https://www.communityatheartlottery.com/support/norwich-door-to-door> or call 01603 933016 to play



It is widely acknowledged that 2025 may be a more challenging year for the charitable sector but we remain committed to providing the reliable, accessible transport service our passengers depend on. However, to maintain this great service, we will be relying more than ever on the generosity and support of our passengers and the wider community to help boost our fundraising income. Each newsletter will feature ways you can get involved and support our fundraising efforts, either through volunteering opportunities, donation drives, campaigns or assisting at events. We encourage you to please get involved where you can. If ever you need assistance from a digital or technical perspective when signing up to something like the Community Lottery or Give as You Live, please just give us a shout, we are very happy to help. Thank you again for your incredible support in 2024.



Recent winners:

Nov: A Rodgers & G Kemp

Dec: D Philcox & J Elliott

Jan: V Quick & J Taberham

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE 200 CLUB, PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO THE OFFICE OR CALL AND WE WILL ADD YOU TO THE MEMBERSHIP

Name: _____

Address: _____

Post code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

BUYING AS A GIFT FOR (NAME): _____

Payment of £12 annually:

☐ Cheque
☐ Cash
☐ Card
☐ Bank transfer

CAN YOU HELP and support our donation drive?

We are in need of prizes for the Quiz Night tombola and raffle in March, as well as Easter eggs for our Easter raffle in April.

All donations are welcome and can be handed to your driving team when you travel



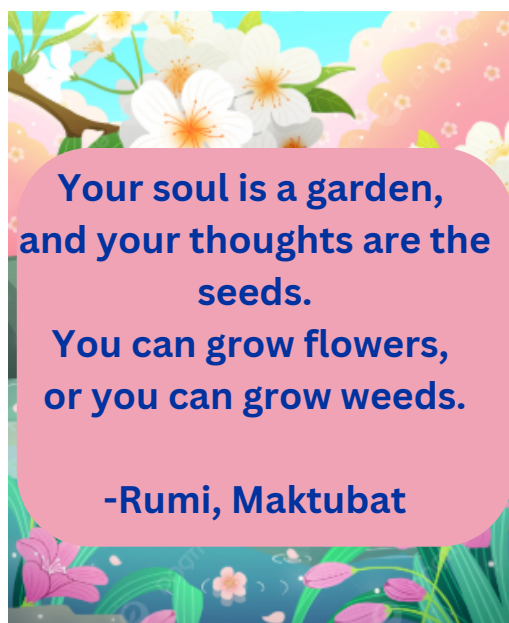
THANK YOU



Calling all Carers in Norfolk & Waveney!
Are you looking after someone? Join the Carers Voice Local Carer Involvement Meetings this February and March to:

- Have your voice heard
- Connect with other Carers
- Learn about local services and support

Register now to receive the meeting details by visiting: <https://www.carersvoice.org/carers-voice-membership/> or for more information email info@carersvoice.org



Your soul is a garden,
and your thoughts are the
seeds.

You can grow flowers,
or you can grow weeds.

-Rumi, Maktubat



Hear for Norfolk

Hear for Norfolk is a charity dedicated to improving the emotional wellbeing, communication, and quality of life for people with hearing loss and related conditions. We provide our support through the following range of services:

Aural Care Service - Removal of earwax using microsuction, performed by trained, registered, and experienced nurses

Adult Audiology Service - NHS funded hearing assessments and fitting of hearing aids for people aged 50+, performed by trained, registered, and experienced audiologists

Hearing Support Service - Maintenance of NHS issued hearing aids

Otoscopy Clinics - Screening of ears for the presence of earwax

Cuppa Care Project - Emotional and wellbeing support, information and advice to people of all ages

Hearing Loss Awareness Training

The above services are available from our community based clinics, mobile clinics and domiciliary/care home visits for housebound people

Please call us on 01603 404440, email us on nda@hearfornorfolk.org.uk or visit our website www.hearfornorfolk.org.uk for more information

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