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IMAGINE NORFOLK TOGETHER



Welcome to the April / May edition of Imagine Norfolk Together's news and prayer letter (Great Yarmouth), focussing on the Church's response to Covid-19.

My hope and prayer at this time is that you will experience the peace of God at this time. As always I would love to hear from you. Please ring me on 07471 357072 or email me at anna.heydon@togethernorfolk.org.uk

Also, why not check out the Imagine Norfolk Together website, where you can find out more about what we do.

[Visit Imagine Norfolk Together website](#)



Spotlight on...

Church in the Community: Covid-19 Response

The world situation may have changed, but God's call for us to love our community hasn't!

Here are some of the ways that the Church in the Great Yarmouth Borough is pursuing that during this time. Please let me know if I've missed anything or got something wrong.

For more information on anything listed below please get in touch.

CHURCH IN THE COMMUNITY: COVID-19 RESPONSE

GREAT YARMOUTH BOROUGH



ALL SAINTS BELTON

The Pantry continues to run to support people in need of food in Belton



Providing a telephone service for people on the Cliff Park estate if they are finding isolation difficult and would like prayer or someone to talk to.



GORLESTON BAPTIST CHURCH

- Partnering to run the Great Yarmouth Foodbank Emergency Delivery service
- Running normal Foodbank sessions on Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays
- Caring for Well contacts through regular telephone contact and food



GREAT YARMOUTH PARISH

Providing meals for Pathway contacts and the homeless three times a week



IDENTITY YOUTH PROJECT

- Youth groups by Zoom for fun and Bible studies
- You Tube video channel to share fun, exercise and devotionals



KINGSGATE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Cooking hot take-away meals throughout the week which are going out to vulnerable families and individuals known to them or to other churches across the Borough



MARTHAM CHURCHES TOGETHER

Running a Foodbank for those who need it in Martham and surrounding area



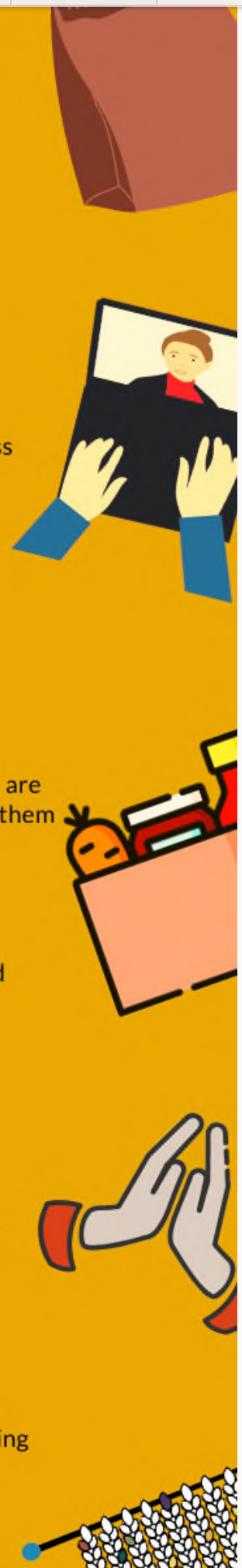
SALVATION ARMY

- Normal Foodbank sessions three times a week
- Hot take-away meals for vulnerable people once a week
- Providing hot meals for Genesis housing
- Providing packed lunches on Mondays and Fridays for the homeless who have been accommodated in hotels by the council



ST MARY MAGDALENE, GORLESTON

- Co-ordinating and hosting the Great Yarmouth Foodbank Emergency Delivery Service for people who are self-isolating and have no way of accessing food.
- Running normal Foodbank sessions once a week
- Creating care packages for local care home residents and staff.



prescriptions / small amounts of food etc.

- Caring for The Bridge contacts through regular contact and support



ST ANDREW'S, GORLESTON

- Caring for Open Church contacts through regular phonecalls
- Providing weekly food donations to Great Yarmouth Foodbank

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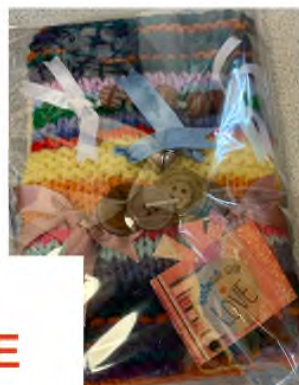


KINGSGATE HOT MEALS





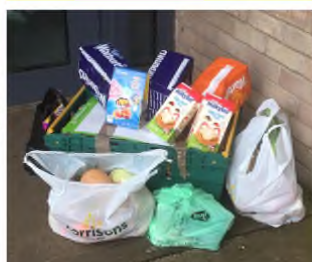
FOODBANK AT GORLESTON BAPTIST CHURCH



ST MARY MAGDALENE CARE PACKAGES







[Share what your church is doing](#)

Great Yarmouth Foodbank Emergency Delivery Service



Great Yarmouth Foodbank COVID-19 Emergency Delivery Service

Are you self isolating? Unable to get food in any other way?

Great Yarmouth Foodbank can help!

Call 07907 616566 for assistance

The Great Yarmouth Foodbank Emergency Delivery Service has already fed more than 720 people in the last 7 weeks. Find out more...



[Read about the Emergency Delivery Service](#)

[Request the Emergency Delivery Service weekly prayer updates](#)

Blog

Searching for Rainbows



For me one of the most poignant moments of lockdown came early on. The nation had only just been told that we needed to stay at home, and I was feeling stunned. Then on my phone screen appeared a photo sent by my sister. It was the image of a rainbow my young niece and nephew had

happy if they are sad"

[Continue reading blog](#)

Diary dates

"Who Cares?" Vision Evening

The "Who Cares?" East Coast Team are not going to let COVID-19 stop them! The Who Cares? Vision evening has been re-arranged as an online event. Join via Zoom on a computer, tablet or smart phone or dial in from an ordinary telephone. Let's come together in these extraordinary times to hear about this new mission initiative for our area and how your church can be involved

ONLINE
EAST COAST VISION EVENING
On Tuesday 5th May @ 7pm

**WHO
CARES?**

This is a great opportunity for churches to gather together via zoom and to hear more about the vision of Who Cares?

To join the Zoom call:

<https://zoom.us/j/990114063>

Meeting ID: 990 114 063

To phone in via your location:

+44 131 460 1196 United Kingdom

Meeting ID: 990 114 063

For further information please email: whocareseastcoast@btinternet.com

To download zoom: <https://zoom.us/download>



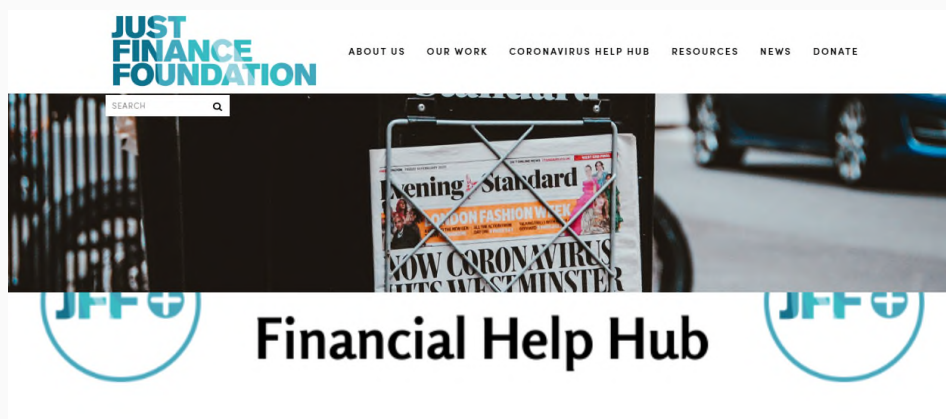
[Find out more about 'Who Cares?'](#)

Coronavirus: Helping People at a time of Financial Crisis

Answers to common questions split into four helpful areas: Financial shock, Financial future, Financial help and Financial worry.

Download 'Coronavirus: Helping People at a time of Financial Crisis'

Just Finance Financial Help Hub



The Just Finance Foundation recognizes the significant impact that the COVID-19 outbreak will have on the finances and daily lives of all in the UK.

We are deeply concerned for our supporters, friends, families and recipients of Just Finance Foundation interventions. Therefore, we have compiled a short signposting page to help you navigate this difficult period.

Visit the Financial Help Hub

For people who are struggling at the moment there are a number of helplines.

First Response:

A 24/7 helpline offering immediate advice, support and signposting for people with mental health difficulties.

If you are experiencing something that makes you feel unsafe, distressed or worried about your mental health, call the helpline on **0808 196 3494**.

Borough Council Numbers:

If you are in need of community support for access to essential items call **0808 196 2238**

If you are a vulnerable person needing support call **0344 800 8020**

Other helplines:

The collage includes the following information:

- Norfolk County Council**: 0344 800 8020
- CALL YOUR LOCAL POLICE**: 101 (IN AN EMERGENCY ALWAYS CALL 999)
- NHS Direct**: CALL 111 (when it's less urgent than 999)
- Samaritans**: Here if you need us. Talk to us, we'll listen. Call free day or night on 116 123. Email: jo@samaritans.org. Website: samaritans.org.
- 24-hour National Domestic Violence Freephone Helpline**: 0808 2000 247
- national breastfeeding helpline**: 0300 100 0212
- family lives**: Listening, supportive and non-judgemental. 0808 800 2222. Mon-Fri 9am-9pm, Sat-Sun 10am-3pm.

For the Magdalen Estate:

**Practical Help**

With groceries
or picking up
prescriptions

Friendly Chat

On the
telephone

Prayer

Please get in
touch if there
is something
particular you
would like us to
pray about.

**LIVESTREAM SERVICES**

Every Sunday at 10.30am
Daily Prayer on weekdays at 9.30am
Find us at
facebook.com/magdalenechurchgorleston



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE VICARAGE ON 01493 494248

Funding

There are lots of funding possibilities at the moment for work which supports those who are most vulnerable during the current crisis - see below.

RAFT Fund) are now temporarily closed due to the massive demand. It would be a good idea to keep an eye on them though as they hope to re-open.

[RAFT Fund](#)[CAF Fund](#)

Samaritan's Purse – This is Love: Community Care Grants and Kits



Samaritan's Purse is looking to partner with churches/projects in reaching their communities during the current pandemic. Along with our response activities overseas, the situation in the UK has prompted us to respond locally. We are therefore inviting you to consider whether either or both of the following will be helpful for your church/organisation in supporting your coronavirus-related outreach activities:

- **Community Care Grant:** a one-off cash grant of up to £5,000
- **Community Care Kit:** a one-off grant of personal protective equipment (PPE) containing face masks, gloves, and hand sanitiser

Find out more about Community Care Grants and Kits

Norfolk Community Foundation



Covid-19 Community Response Fund

Maximum Grant up to £1000 | **Area** Breckland, Broadland, Great Yarmouth, King's Lynn & West Norfolk, North Norfolk, Norwich, and South Norfolk

Grants of up to £1,000 are available to support urgent local community action led by Norfolk charities to help vulnerable people affected by the Covid-19 outbreak.

[Find out more >](#)



Covid-19 Local Resilience Fund

Maximum Grant £10,000 | **Area** Breckland, Broadland, Great Yarmouth, King's Lynn & West Norfolk, North Norfolk, Norwich, and South Norfolk

Grants of up to £10,000 (up to £25,000 for major strategic partnership projects) are available to support projects that clearly meet one or more of priorities for action set by...

[Find out more >](#)

Norfolk Community Foundation currently has two funds available to support local groups during this crisis time:

- [Covid-19 Community Response Fund](#) – *Grants of up to £1,000 are available to support urgent local community action led by Norfolk charities to help vulnerable people affected by the Covid-19 outbreak.*
- [Covid-19 Local Resilience Fund](#) – *Grants of up to £10,000 (up to £25,000 for major strategic partnership projects) are available to support projects that clearly meet one or more of priorities for action set by Norfolk's Local Resilience Forum.*

Find out more about NCF grants

COVID-19 Emergency Surplus Food Grant



profit (NFP) organisations who can redistribute surplus food from the likes of retailers, wholesalers, and food manufacturers, to people in need or those considered vulnerable.

[Find out more about Wrap Grant](#)

Grant Lists

These two websites provide lists of grants available to charities and local groups for Covid-19 related work



[Look at list on CAF website](#)

[Look at list on SCC website](#)

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#DO5THINGS

5 ways to respond to this newsletter:

[Let me know what your church is doing to love the community](#)

[Request the Emergency Delivery Service weekly prayer updates](#)

Find out more about **Who Cares?** and come along to the Zoom Evening

Visit the Financial Help Hub

Apply for an NCF grant

Let's talk about...

I would love to hear from you to discuss any of the following things:

- How you are getting involved in your local community, and good news stories about the difference this is making.
- Events you are running which welcome the local community or which equip for community engagement
- If you would more information about the Church Urban Fund and what they do
- If you would like me to visit your church, church meeting or group
- Anything you would find useful in future editions of this letter

You can email me at anna.heydon@togethernorfolk.org.uk



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