

# **SPONSORSHIP FORM**



## ***SUFFOLK CHURCHES RIDE AND STRIDE***

**IMPORTANT: Please complete the entry page details before you start  
the Ride and Stride**

**The Suffolk Historic Churches Trust was founded in 1973, and makes grants to churches and chapels of all denominations towards repairs, improvements and restoration. Since its inception it has raised more than £5 million to make grants to more than 700 churches.**

### **THE 41st SPONSORED RIDE AND STRIDE**

Cyclists and walkers are invited to seek sponsors who will agree to pay a sum of money either per church visited or a lump sum for the cyclist or walker taking part. The money raised by each participant is divided equally between the nominated church and SHCT. Over 600 churches and chapels will be open in Suffolk, together with countless more in adjoining counties. In recent years, the following amounts have been raised:

*2022: £180,000 2021: £191,187; 2020: £158,224; 2019: £128,405; 2018: £139,033;*

**If any taxpayer would like their contribution to be a Gift Aid donation, we will be able to claim 25p for every pound donated. The sponsor's full details must be completed and the sponsor must tick the Gift Aid column. Gift Aid recovery goes straight to the Grants Committee.**

### **INSTRUCTIONS TO PARTICIPANTS**

Please complete the back of this form before you start. Make sure your Local Organiser knows you are taking part. After the Ride, collect your sponsor money and give it to your Local Organiser by the end of October. Please make cheques payable to Suffolk Historic Churches Trust or pay online to 40-52-40 00035164 with name of your church as reference.

**Use JustGiving (see our website [www.shct.org.uk](http://www.shct.org.uk)). Please remember to indicate your nominated church.**

**Lists of churches open are available on our website or from your Local Organiser. Cars may be used to get to and from your starting and finishing church.**

### **Disclaimer:**

It is a condition of entry that, save to the extent required by law, the Organisers and the Trustees of Suffolk Historic Churches Trust accept no liability in respect of death or injury sustained by any participant in the Suffolk Churches Ride and Stride.

### **ALWAYS REMEMBER – SAFETY FIRST**

- **Read and follow the bicycling section of the Highway Code.**
- **Ensure your bike is roadworthy by checking everything, particularly the brakes.**
- **Ride with care and consideration at all times, remembering particularly that it might be safer to dismount and walk with your bike across the road.**
- **Ride in single file and not in large groups. Use high visibility clothing.**
- **Adults must remember they are responsible for the safety of children in their charge.**
- **Routes should be planned so that stamina is not over-reached and safety jeopardised.**

### **Organisers of the Ride and Stride in Suffolk**

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