



Saturday 14th
September 2019
10am - 6pm

Calling all Churches in Cambridgeshire

This year's national Ride and Stride day is on Saturday 14th September. It is the main fundraising event for the Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust and a fantastic opportunity to open churches to a wide range of visitors.

Ride and Stride participants get sponsored to visit beautiful churches and chapels by bike, foot, horse or whatever way takes their fancy. Half the money raised will go to a specific church or chapel chosen by each participant, whilst the other half is used by the Trust to provide grants to churches of all denominations to help with the cost of repairs and new facilities.

We would like your help to make this year an even bigger success than last year and to celebrate the history on our doorstep. We understand that time and volunteer support can be limited, but even a small amount of support will make a big difference.

Every congregation can participate by:

- Opening your church from 10 am to 6 pm on the day wherever possible
- Placing a register of riders and striders in the church for people to sign
- Displaying the enclosed poster in your church and/or locality.

You can still take part even if you are unable to open your church - just display the poster and leave the Register of Riders and Striders somewhere easy to find e.g. in the porch.

It would be great if you could:

- Take part, individually or better still in a group, by being sponsored to walk, cycle, horse ride etc... to places of worship in the county (including Peterborough unitary local government area). Whilst we don't encourage the use of cars we welcome them where other means of transport aren't possible or where they are a key part of sponsorship i.e. vintage cars, tractors etc...
- Have people in the church throughout the day to welcome Riders and Striders and other visitors (your welcomers can be sponsored for the hours they volunteer).
- Create a www.give.net fundraising page for your church for our event. Start at <https://www.give.net/20037232/>. Individuals will be able to distribute the link to the church fundraising page. Sponsors who prefer to do so can donate on-line and we will still know which church is to benefit from half the amount raised.

If you have the time you could even provide:

- Refreshments – homemade cakes are always popular
- Family trails and craft activities
- An exhibition, parish history day
- Guided tours
- Music performances
- Have-a-go bellringing

The list endless of activities is endless! Ride and Stride coincides with Heritage Open Day, so it is a great opportunity to celebrate historic places of worship but do remember that there will be a lot for people to see and do, so it is often better to focus on one or two 'drop-in' activities.

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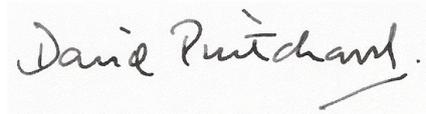
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Please find enclosed:

- Sponsorship forms to be completed by your Riders, Striders and their sponsors
- Register of Riders and Striders
- Posters advertising Ride and Stride and an 'Open' poster for use on the day - please display prominently
- Payment forms to be completed and returned with sponsorship forms and money to our Treasurer.

More copies of all these papers can be downloaded at www.camhct.uk where you will also find continuation sponsorship sheets and a list of churches and chapels in the county.

Please help us so that we can continue to help you!



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Please Note

We regard individual fundraising volunteers as doing so "in aid of" Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust.

We are sure that Churches and individual fundraising volunteers will behave sensibly and responsibly at all times. They are responsible for their own health and safety. The fundraising activities which take place on the annual Ride and Stride event are outside the control of Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust; we cannot accept any liability as a result of the activities outside our control.

We ask for names, addresses and email addresses to the extent necessary for the administration of the fundraising event. We need to keep this data for six complete tax years to support gift aid claims. Other administrative hard-copy data will be destroyed after three years.

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