# Suffolk 100





Suffolk 100 is a group of individuals and businesses that have a real interest and concern for the communities of Suffolk.

It is a giving circle where members donate to help with Suffolk Community Foundation's core activities as well as supporting charities and voluntary organisations across the county.

The "ask" is simple - your commitment to Suffolk Community Foundation will be £1,000 per year, we don't mind how it comes to us - some donate a lump sum, but you could pay monthly or quarterly.

You will get regular updates on Foundation activity - tailored specifically to Suffolk 100 members.

You will be invited to events where the Suffolk Community Foundation team will update you on the activities and current projects and it will provide you with a chance to network amongst others to are helping to care for the wider Suffolk community.

You will be given the opportunity to join us on visits to a broad range of charities and voluntary groups supported by the Foundation.

66 Chestnut are proud supporters of Suffolk 100 and the 'seeing is believing' visits are a great way of learning about the positive impact the donations are having in our local communities. I really enjoyed meeting everyone involved in The Freedom Church Send Café and seeing firsthand how the grant has helped them to enhance their super community hub.

#### Tori Dexter

Head of Communications and Community Impact, Chestnut Group

GWhat a fabulous evening you gave the current and potential Suffolk 100 members on Thursday. I can't remember any event of that nature where people were having such a glorious time that they were reluctant to leave! 99

Suffolk 100 member



### Suffolk 100 event at Burnt House Vineyard

In June, we hosted our annual Suffolk 100 event at the Burnt House Vineyard.

Not only was the evening a chance for guests to find out more about the difference their support makes to us and communities in Suffolk, it was also a lot of fun. We were treated to a tour of the Burnt House Vineyard and wine tasting. The beautiful surroundings and the sunshine made for an ideal evening.

A special thank you must also go to Brewin Dolphin and Birketts LLP who very kindly sponsored the evening. 66 I have been a Suffolk 100 member for many years and I am a great supporter of what the Foundation does right across the county. Its support for charities and voluntary organisations working in areas of significant deprivation and with some very disadvantaged groups of people is so valuable. The thing I like about Suffolk 100 giving is the flexibility it gives the Foundation to apply our funds to grant making or to internal projects that enhance its work.

Richard Cooper



## Visit to the Pear Tree Centre and Home For Good

In March, Suffolk 100 members visited the Pear Tree Centre and Home For Good, both very different projects, but each doing incredible work. The Pear Tree Centre offers support and information to those with life limiting illnesses.

Home for Good aims to ensure that every child looking for a home find ones. They bring together churches, networks and communities to help find those who may foster or adopt vulnerable children. Our visit was to a play visit for adopters.



#### Visits to EPIC Dad and Freedom Church

In Spring, Suffolk 100 members visited EPIC Dad and Freedom Church SEND Café, two different projects but both doing incredible work in their local community. Both charities have recently received funding from Suffolk Community Foundation.

EPIC Dad supports fathers, father figures, and families and their vision is focused on 'Restoring the Role of Fathers'. The letters of EPIC stand for Encourager, Provider, Instructor, Carer which are 4 key fatherhood roles that they celebrate and support within families and communities.

Freedom Church charity aims to extend the provision in the community through wellbeing groups, community cafe, youth groups, toddler groups, dementia and later life groups, SEND groups, pastoral care and is a debt relief centre. A grant of £2,000 was awarded to pay towards a weekly cafe session with activities for individuals who have special educational needs and disabilities.



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