



Yorkshire Historic Churches Trust

Helping Churches Most in Need

Yorkshire is famed for its heritage, and is home to over 2500 places of worship. From tiny chapels and village churches, to commanding Minsters, these magnificent and much loved buildings define our landscape, bring together communities and demonstrate beautiful craftsmanship.

They offer congregations a welcoming, warm and friendly place to worship, host a wide range of social groups and offer facilities for local communities across the region.

However many are really struggling to meet their ongoing maintenance and repair costs.

The Yorkshire Historic Churches Trust was set up in 1988, with the aim to help repair, preserve and maintain these magnificent buildings.

The Trust relies on the generosity of Friends, donors, other supporters to help with this never-ending task.

As the cost of materials and labour continues to increase, we need your help more than ever to ensure we can continue to help care and maintain places of worship like yours so that they can remain a centre of local life and a reminder of our great Christian heritage.

By becoming a Friend, or making a donation, you can help us to fund urgent repairs to churches just like yours, and to ensure they can continue to offer a welcoming place to worship. You will also be joining a group of people who share your love of Yorkshire's churches.

Membership is just £35 per year for an individual and £50 for places of worship and Friends enjoy a wide range of benefits, including invites to a variety of church tours, online lectures, social events, and copies of our newsletters.

Friends of the Trust, Paul and Anne McLean, explain: "We have been Friends of the YHCT since 2019 and have enjoyed many tours, most recently taking in the 13th century chapel at Hazelwood Castle, St Mary's at Tadcaster and the 'Cathedral of Ainsty' - All Saints at Bolton Percy. We have also tuned in to the fascinating online lectures that the Trust have put on, from a study of post reformation monastic remains found in Yorkshire Parish churches to a study of the medieval wall paintings of Pickering Church. We are pleased to be able to do our bit to help support Yorkshire's churches, ensuring they stay at the heart of local communities for years to come."

For details of how to join or donate, visit our website at www.yhct.org.uk or contact Vanessa White on Tel: 07786 656883 , email generalenquiries@yhct.org.uk .