

# A guide to our **services**

Making Norfolk a great place to grow older

# Dedicated to making **Norfolk** a great place to grow older

Age UK Norfolk is an independent charity with over 75 years' experience of supporting older people and their families living in Norfolk. Norfolk has an older population in general, with a proportion of residents 65 years or older rising from 25% to 30% over the next 20 years and North Norfolk in particular has the oldest population in England and Wales.

We provide a range of free services available to those aged 50+ living in Norfolk with the aim of supporting older people to enjoy the opportunities and meet the challenges of later life.

Our vision is to ensure older people live well and we are proud to be making Norfolk a great place to grow older.



# How Age UK Norfolk can support you:

Age UK Norfolk has a number of  
free services to inform, advise and support you:



Information and Advice



Welfare Benefit Entitlement Checks



Lasting Power of Attorney Guidance



Community Connect: Advocacy



Community Connect: Money M.O.T



Community Connect: Digital Inclusion



Companionship: Face-to-Face & Telephone  
Befriending



Companionship: Travel Companions



Age Friendly Activities and Events

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# Information & Advice



Our Information and Advice service is available to anyone aged 50 or over, their family, carers or professionals. Our experienced Age UK Norfolk advisers can help you plan for later life on a wide range of subjects, including:

- Benefit entitlement checks
- Support in claiming benefits
- Help with grants
- Lasting Power of Attorney
- Social Care Assessment
- Paying for care and support
- Local clubs and groups
- Transport

We also have availability for pre-booked face-to-face Information and Advice appointments at our head office in Norwich. Please contact our team on the details below if you would like to book a face-to-face appointment.

**Our helpline is open Monday - Friday  
10am to 4pm**

**T 0300 500 1217**

**E [advice@ageuknorfolk.org.uk](mailto:advice@ageuknorfolk.org.uk)**

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# Welfare Benefit Service



Our Welfare Benefits service for over 50's provides Information and Advice on benefit entitlements and how to claim. We offer benefit checks and a form completion service for some benefits. This service is predominantly telephone appointment based but we can offer a home visit to those who require them.

Benefits we can advise on include:

- Attendance Allowance
- Personal Independence Payment
- Disability Living Allowance
- Carers Allowance
- Pension Credit
- Severe Disability premium
- Housing Benefit
- Council Tax Support

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# Lasting Power of Attorney



A Power of Attorney is a way of giving someone you trust the legal authority to make decisions on your behalf if you're no longer able to make them yourself – or if you don't want to.

There are a number of reasons why you may need someone to make decisions on your behalf. It may be a temporary measure, if you're going into hospital and need help with everyday financial tasks like paying your bills.

Or it may be part of long-term planning – if, for example, you've been diagnosed with dementia and want to plan ahead in case you lose mental capacity to make your own decisions in the future.

Our Lasting Power of Attorney service covers the whole of Norfolk and is for anyone over the age of 50. Our trained advisers can discuss Lasting Power of Attorney over the phone and offer information and advice on the topic.

We can further assist you to complete forms via a home visit and assist with the registration process.

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# Community Connect: Advocacy



We offer a range of Advocacy services to ensure older people in Norfolk are supported in having a voice and remaining independent.

## **General Advocacy**

Our Advocacy service supports and enables people over 50 to have their voice heard; we can help you with making phone calls and writing letters to help ensure you do not experience any inequality or discrimination.

## **Bereavement Advocacy**

Our bereavement advocacy service provides support to people over 50 who are recently bereaved. Our specially trained advisors can help guide you through a difficult time by offering practical help with completing paperwork and notifying companies.

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# Community Connect: Statutory Advocacy



Age UK Norfolk are able to support those deprived of their liberty under the Mental Capacity Act as a qualified, paid representative (RPPR) where there is no suitable family member or friend available. We can also support you with our NHS complaints service if you are making, or thinking of making, a complaint about NHS services or treatment.

Please be aware that both of these services are for over 60s and are operated on a referral basis via POhWER. You can visit their website at: [www.pohwer.net](http://www.pohwer.net)

# Community Connect: Money M.O.T



Money M.O.T: Helping You Manage, Organise, and Thrive

Support for Norfolk residents aged 50+. We offer up to six months of tailored help with budgeting, bills, banking, and paperwork. Build skills to manage your finances independently.

**For more information about our  
Money M.O.T service, contact us:**

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# Community Connect: Digital Inclusion

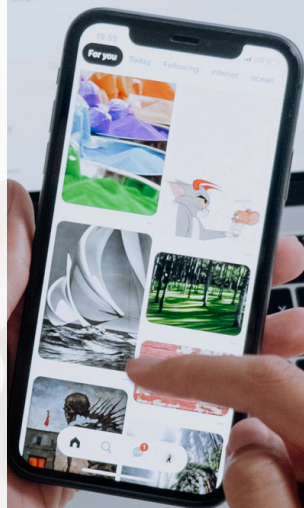


We live in an increasingly online world, with the role of the internet becoming even more prominent since the outset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our Digital Inclusion service aims to support and enable those over 50 who are less confident in their digital skills.

## **What we can help with:**

- Setting up a device
- Downloading apps
- Online banking
- Online shopping
- Emailing
- Online file management



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# Companionship: Face-to-face & Telephone Befriending



There are times in everyone's life when we can feel lonely or isolated. For some people it can be that they live on their own, for others it may be that they are caring for their loved one.

Our Companionship services offers people aged 50 or over:

- Face-to-Face Befriending. Friendly one-hour weekly visits at home for 6 months, offering companionship & support to help individuals reach personal goals.
- Telephone Befriending. Weekly goal driven conversations tailored to each person's needs—fostering connection, encouragement, and growth..



*It is so nice knowing someone is out there contacting you to see if you are OK.*

**For more information about our Befriending service, contact us:**

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# Companionship: Travelling Companions



Would you like to feel more confident getting out and about?

Age UK Norfolk Travelling Companionship for over 50s can help you. Through sessions delivered safely from your home and beyond, we can help you feel more confident and comfortable making trips around your local area.

You'll be paired up with your own Travelling Companion who can accompany you on any kind of journey - whether it's by foot, public transport, taxi, or even bike - and will help you build the confidence you need to travel independently.



**For more information about Travelling  
Companionship, contact us:**



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# Age Friendly Activities & Events



Our Team have searched for all the latest Age Friendly Activities and Events across Norfolk and compiled them in one handy place on our website. There are a whole host of Age Friendly activities to get involved in, from local coffee mornings and arts and crafts classes to Pilates or Yoga!

Simply browse our list of latest activities or search your local area for what's on to find the activity that's right for you.

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# Volunteering for Age UK Norfolk

Our dedicated team of volunteers are the backbone of our organisation and without their help, we simply would not be able to deliver all the services that we do. Alongside providing support to those in need, volunteering also has a number of positive benefits to volunteers.


Volunteering for Age UK Norfolk provides you with the opportunity to:

- ✓ Learn new skills and enhance your CV
- ✓ Gain valuable work experience
- ✓ Build your confidence
- ✓ Meet new people and make new connections
- ✓ Increase your wellbeing
- ✓ Make a difference to the lives of older people in Norfolk

**For more information, contact us today:**

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*"Volunteering makes me feel worthwhile. I know I can potentially make a great difference to the lives of the people I support."*



# How you can support Age UK Norfolk

Age UK Norfolk is an independent Norfolk Charity and we are dependent on local support for most of our income. There are many ways that individuals or organisations can support our work.

## Raise Awareness

- Raise awareness of what we do and the services we provide
- Let others know who we are – an independent Charity that needs local support

## Financial Support

- Make a donation. You can donate online via JustGiving at: [www.justgiving.com/acnorfolk](http://www.justgiving.com/acnorfolk)
- Send a cheque donation to: Age UK Norfolk, Henderson Business Centre, 51 Ivy Road, Norwich, NR5 8BF
- Consider leaving a gift in your will to Age UK Norfolk
- Support us in the workplace via payroll giving, fundraising events, and nominating us as your Charity of the year.

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## Give us feedback

- Let us know what is working well and where we can improve

**For more information, contact us:**

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# Leave a gift in your will

We would be delighted if you felt able to leave us a gift in your Will after you've taken care of the people closest to you. By doing this you would be leaving a lasting legacy, so that no matter what challenges lay ahead, we can be there for future generations of older people living in Norfolk.

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