



Annual Report & Statements 2025/26

Chairman's Report

Introduction

It has been a great pleasure to be Chair of the NFCI this year, taking over from the excellent two-year term from Ian Fox.

With thanks to all our Council members and all those who support our events, it has been another rewarding year for the Forum and thoroughly enjoyable. We have enjoyed exceptional engagement from our Members, and what I consider to be a wonderful programme of events showcasing the highlights in the construction and development sector across Norfolk.

For these reasons I am pleased to say our membership continues to grow and we have been honoured to support a number of local charities.

Financial Report

The Treasurer's Report confirms that the Forum finances remain very healthy. Whilst we have a reported surplus of £1,412 which is lower than the circa. £5,000 surplus for the previous year due to additional expenditure as noted in the accounts, the overall financial position remains healthy with reserves including cash in the bank and stock of just over £80,000, higher than in the previous year.

The Forum therefore remains in a strong position to continue subsidising events for our Members, which is something we always pride ourselves on doing for our Members.

Charitable Giving & Support

We have been delighted to continue our support St Edmund's Society at their annual graduation evening, and also support Hopestead through our annual Quiz event.

As usual, the guests at our Annual Property Dinner 'dug deep' and their generosity never goes unnoticed, particularly the level of bidding for the Norwich City Shirt, and the star prize, the signed Mulbarton Wanders shirt. As a consequence, we managed to raise (with further contributions from the Forum), £5,000 for NARS and £5,000 for the Hamlet Chairty, two very worthwhile causes and it is great to support the fantastic work they and all our chosen charities do.

The NFCI continues to maintain a close and supportive relationship with the Norfolk Construction Charitable Trust (NCCT), which has received significant contributions from the Forum and is now providing serious support to Construction East and its objectives to build a more resilient and sustainable construction industry.



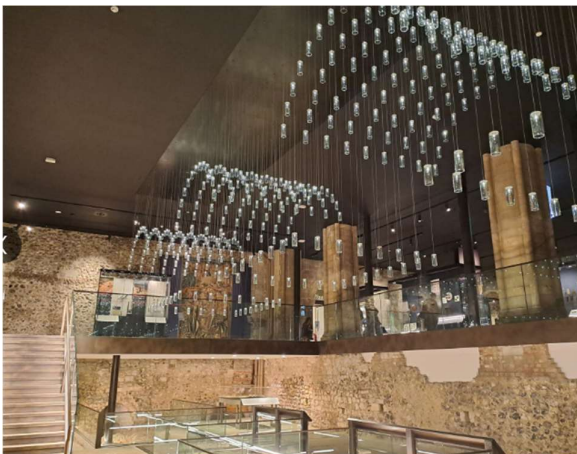
Site Visits, Presentations & Events

We have been delighted to host a number of site visits and events for our members this year, which have included:

- Langley Abbey Restoration Project
- Wendling Beck Nature Recovery Project
- Hethel Industrial with Team Lotus



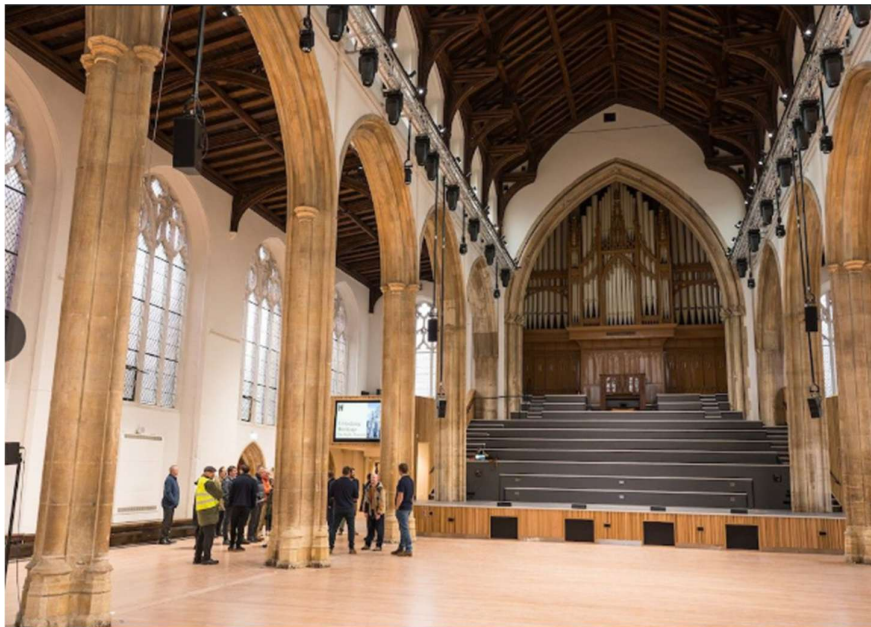
- Norwich Castle



- Elaine Herbert House at the Great Hospital



- Halls Restoration Project



These site visits were in addition to our Annual Quiz and Summer Drinks events, and also our joint event with Construction East and Alastair Soane concerning building safety.

Summer Drinks Reception

This year's Summer Drinks Reception was held at the Rooftop Gardens and, as always, was a great success. Over 150 members joined the Forum committee for an enjoyable evening of networking with friends and colleagues from the industry. Special thanks to Vice Chair, Mark Cambridge, for providing structural support for my table during my speech!



LEGO Competition

Our annual Lego competition was as popular as event, embracing the theme of Norfolk Coastal Towns. Many congratulations to Rossi Long who secured first place (and the coveted trophy), with Chaplin Farrant securing an admirable second.



Annual Quiz Night

Our annual quiz evening was held in November at The Maids Head Hotel. As always, the event was hugely popular with 22 teams striving to secure top spot, with Rossi Long securing first place – after a tie-break expertly led by Quizmaster, Charlie Wilson. Most importantly, the event enabled us to support the excellent work undertaken by Hopestead.

Norfolk Property Dinner

In February 2026, we hosted our 22nd Norfolk Property Dinner—now a flagship event in the region’s business calendar. Held at Norwich City Football Club, the evening was once again oversubscribed, welcoming over 450 members and guests.

Entertainment was provided by the fantastic Rory Bremner, enabling us to raise £5,000 each for our two chosen charities, NARS and The Hamlet Charity.



It has been an absolute pleasure and privilege to serve as Chair this year and I very much look forward to continuing my role this year.

As always, the success of the Forum would not be possible without my fellow Council Members, each of whom I thank for dedicating their time. Their hard work ensures the Forum runs smoothly and the calendar of events remains strong throughout the year for our membership.

Most importantly, a huge thank you to you - our members. Thank you for supporting our events and engaging with Forum as brilliantly as you do. We appreciate all your support with site visits, talks and engagement throughout the year, which makes our roles as Council members all the more rewarding – and all critical to ensure our construction and development industry in Norfolk remains prosperous.

Jay Mehta
Chair

Stated Objectives of the NFCI

- To promote a wider understanding and appreciation of the Construction and Property industry and to enhance its reputation with those who employ it and with the general public.
- To develop and maintain friendly relations and to secure mutual support and co-operation among the Members of the Forum and among professions, trade associations, Trade Unions and other bodies connected with or otherwise interested in the Construction and Property industry.
- To secure the free exchange of information, to monitor events, trends and developments within or affecting the Construction and Property industry generally and particularly in the Norfolk area, and to make private or public comment thereon either independently or in conjunction with any other body.
- To promote any charitable, educational or other public object connected with the Construction and Property industry generally and particularly in the Norfolk area.
- To do all such things as are incidental, ancillary or conducive to the attainment of the aforementioned objectives.

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