

I am Neil Turpin and I am married to Revd Becky the vicar here in Harnham. I am planning to walk the 165 miles from Canterbury to Salisbury in seven days during Holy Week 2019. I have never walked 23+ miles on consecutive days before so it will be physically demanding. I am walking partly as a personal

pilgrimage/retreat but also with a view to raising money for the Parish Hall transformation project.

So here's where I need your help and involvement please. Part of the transformation project involves moving the kitchen from its current location to what is now the store room so that it can serve both the hall and the meeting room – and to create a kitchen that meets modern catering standards and one which will allow us, and hall users, to offer improved hospitality. The cost of this aspect of the project is likely to be in the region of £16,500. So that is my fundraising target - £100 for every mile of my walk which is very ambitious but, I hope, achievable!

If you would like to sponsor me, please indicate on the form overleaf and return to the Parish Office or alternatively you can go through my JustGiving Page. (e.g. You go to the "Just Giving" Page and search for Neil Turpin). There will also be sponsor forms in both churches and Parish Office from 6<sup>th</sup> March. But anything you can give to help me towards my target would be gratefully received and a great encouragement to me in my preparations.

In addition to any financial support, I would also value company on my training walks over the weekends leading up to Holy Week. I will be leaving from the Parish Hall on Lower Street at 2.00pm on the four Sundays before Lent (10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> February and 3<sup>rd</sup> March) with a view to walking between 5 and 8 miles around the Parish boundary and (by way of incentive) finishing with tea and cake at the Vicarage. Then on Saturdays in March (9<sup>th</sup>, (16<sup>th</sup> TBC), 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> March) I will leave from the Parish Hall at 9.30am aiming to walk about 10-12 miles on the first two weeks and 15 miles or so on the next two weeks on routes yet to be determined.

Finally, if anyone would like to join me on the last leg of my walk from Winchester Cathedral to Salisbury Cathedral on 20<sup>th</sup> April along the 26 miles of the Clarendon Way I would be really pleased to have your company. Meet outside the West door of Winchester Cathedral at 9.30am.