

# THE NORTH PARISH WASHING GREEN SOCIETY

*Established in 1792 for the Relief of Poverty in the North Parish of Glasgow*

This old Society has a quaint, unfamiliar and distinctive ring about it to modern ears accustomed to many charities, but none that concern themselves with a washing green. Nevertheless the name enshrines part of the social history of a bygone, semi-rural Glasgow when it was a comparatively small community, as yet clean and unspoilt by the clouds of smoke from industry. It also carries our memories back to those days when Glasgow Cross was the centre of civic life.

The heritors of the North Parish in April 1792 decided to equip and manage a washing green on land which they owned beside the banks of the Molendinar Burn. The free income of this was to be distributed among the poor of the North Parish.

The Society's property consisted of about two and a half acres of ground with a dwelling house, washing house and other buildings to the north of Glasgow Cathedral. When the Merchants House began to lay out the Necropolis and throw a bridge across the Molendinar and coincidentally the washing green rendering the latter unsuitable for its original purpose, the Directors decided to sell the ground to the Royal Infirmary and the proceeds formed the basis of the investment capital of today. The memory of the washing green survives and the Society is its monument.

## APPLICATION FORM

Please enrol me as a member of the North Parish Washing Green Society and I enclose my donation of £40 constituting my life membership. (Please make cheques payable to "**North Parish Washing Green Society**").

Name .....

E-mail Address .....

Full Home Address .....

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..... Post Code.....

Please supply me with a tie / shopping bag (delete as applicable) as part of my membership pack.

### Gift Aid & Data Protection Declaration

Name of Charity: The North Parish Washing Green Society

I want the Society to treat all donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise as Gift Aid Donations.

I confirm I Have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand that the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give.

I am happy for The North Parish Washing Green Society to continue to contact me by (*please delete as necessary*)

1. Post
2. Email

Signed: .....

Date .....

Please indicate here if you are **not** liable for   
Income tax and/or cannot claim gift aid relief

Your details will not be shared with any third party.

### Notes

1. You can cancel this declaration at any time by notifying the Society.
2. If in the future your circumstances change and you no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and capital gains you can cancel your declaration (see note 1)
3. If you pay Income Tax at the higher rate or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.
4. Please notify the Society if you change your name or address.

The North Parish Washing Green Society is a registered Scottish Charity  
Registration Number SC006597

*To be returned to the Clerk*

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