

34 members of our Northern Towns Group visited York on Thursday 19th October 2023. A rather rainy start but this then stopped for a most enjoyable visit. With thanks to Karen and Susan for organising.



The York Art Gallery where the group met for coffee and cake before being led on an excellent tour by local guide, Gary









The group gather under the vaulted roof of St. Leonard's hospital.

Founded soon after the Norman Conquest, it was believed to be the largest medieval hospital in the north of England.

The hospital also fed the poor and the condemned, providing meals for the prisoners in York Castle.



The view from Lendal Bridge. This replaced an earlier ferry service.



The ferryman's living quarters.

The ornate parapet of the bridge features the white rose of York, the crossed keys of the Diocese of York & the lions of England.





The water pump without a handle marks the birthplace of John Snow







Heading for lunch with the Minster in background



How cinemas used to look





**Lunch held at Bedern Hall dating back 700 years.
Off the tourist trail, just behind the Minster.**

York Minster now with the recently unveiled statue of Queen Elizabeth 11



Repairs to York Minster require the expertise of stone masons who can be seen here

