

## YOUR GIFT – THE HELP IT CAN GIVE

Any gift, irrespective of size, will make a difference. Many of our recent developments have been funded partly or entirely by legacies.

Examples of how a gift can be used:

- £1,000 will buy a new set of period enamel signs
- £5,000 will buy a set of brass gauges and fittings for a locomotive
- £10,000 will buy a new set of carriage doors
- £25,000 will help fund vital facilities to conserve historic Island railway artefacts and archives
- £50,000 will renovate Havenstreet station building
- £100,000 will build a replica trailer car for the Ryde Pier Tram
- £250,000 will provide an extension to our refreshment rooms
- £500,000 will pay for the restoration of a complete train of Oldbury carriages
- £750,000 will provide a purpose-built locomotive workshop
- £1.25 million will pay for the construction of a 'new' Island locomotive



A generous bequest enabled us to acquire the sole surviving E1 class locomotive for eventual use on our Railway.

## THE IMPORTANCE OF LEGACIES

Making a will is important. If you do not do so there is a very real risk that your estate will not be distributed as you had intended and loved ones may not be adequately provided for. Your will can protect them and ease their distress at a very difficult time.

A will also provides an opportunity to make a difference to a cause close to your heart by leaving a lasting gift which, perhaps, has not been possible during your lifetime. As the Railway is a registered charity, your legacy will be free of Inheritance Tax. Please consider remembering us in your will and help ensure we can continue to educate, inform and inspire future generations.



Restoration of the Ryde Pier Tram has been partly paid for by a legacy. Significant funding is now needed to construct a replica trailer car.

## THE NEXT STEP

If you would like to discuss things further, please contact us at [legacy@iwsteamrailway.co.uk](mailto:legacy@iwsteamrailway.co.uk) or write to

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# ISLE OF WIGHT STEAM RAILWAY

## LEGACIES

Leaving a gift to preserve our Railway  
for future generations



## WHY WE NEED MORE THAN TICKET SALES

Revenue from passenger fares and the profit from shop and refreshment room sales cover our day-to-day running costs but will never pay for the many major developments needed to move the Railway forward. Legacies have already provided vital funding for past achievements and will remain essential to our future success.

### What recent legacies have done for us

- Provided a significant part of the matching funding required to obtain the Heritage Lottery Fund grant that delivered Train Story
- Contributed greatly to the restoration of Ivatt locomotive 41313
- Financed the purpose-built volunteer hostel
- Provided the resources to purchase the E1 class locomotive No 2 *Yarmouth* and for its eventual restoration
- Financed the purchase of a piece of land adjacent to Havenstreet station that is vital to our future expansion plans



For many of our supporters, the construction of a replica IWR Beyer Peacock locomotive is the ultimate dream. Whilst we hope to have a workshop capable of carrying out such a project in the not-too-distant future the costs, in excess of £1 million, can probably only be met by legacies.  
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This painting by Matthew Cousins shows how a restored Ashley station might look if we could purchase the former station building.

## OUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Much has been achieved in recent years but many of our facilities still need significant improvement. Our exciting plans for the future include

- New locomotive maintenance and restoration facilities
- Improved carriage and wagon maintenance and restoration facilities
- Restoration of the Ryde Pier Tramcar and construction of a replica trailer car
- Additional undercover storage and museum facilities
- Completion of the Edwardian station at Wootton
- Restoration of a set of 1930s' LCDR bogie coaches
- Restoration of a complete train of Oldbury carriages
- Improved educational facilities
- The purchase and restoration of Ashley station house
- In the long term, the building of a 'new' Island locomotive

## YOUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE

From the Railway's perspective it is easier if legacies come without any conditions because this offers the greatest flexibility to make best use of people's generosity. However, we fully appreciate that some people want their legacy to be directed towards a specific project on the Railway. If you would like to discuss this we will be delighted to talk things over, in complete confidence if you wish.



IWR Composite No 10, an 1864-built Oldbury carriage, was restored thanks to funding received from a television production company.



IWR First No 21 is the next Oldbury to be restored. Additional funding will speed up the process which is currently likely to take around five years