WHY MAKE A WILL?
Making a Will helps safeguard the future of your loved ones. Surprisingly, only one in three people make a Will, but without a Will your estate may not be distributed as you would wish and in some instances could even go to the Crown.

Leaving a Will also allows you to remember those organisations closest to your heart.

WHY REMEMBER THE VINTAGE CARRIAGES TRUST?
The Vintage Carriages Trust is a registered Charity and an Accredited Museum. It has a proven track record in restoring, displaying and operating our unique collection of historic railway carriages. We are well equipped for this to continue, with good displays, an effective Shop and a well-equipped Workshop.

Our future plans include to complete the restoration of our present Collection and as far as is possible to ensure that they are available for occasional actual use. To allow this work to expand we will seek additional secure accommodation, possibly by loaning items of our Collection to other Heritage Railways etc. With this accomplished we may seek suitable additional carriages to add to our Collection.

CAN I SPECIFY WHAT MY LEGACY IS USED FOR?
Yes, but it is helpful if the funds are unrestricted to avoid problems if when funds become available the use specified is no longer appropriate. However, we are happy to suggest general areas where funds are always useful.

Unrestricted legacies are invaluable because they help us to target funds where they are most needed at any given time.

Most importantly, a gift of any size makes a real difference and is very welcome. Legacy income is vital to enable us to maintain our Collection and invest in new projects.

HOW DO I LEAVE A LEGACY?
It is usually wise to consult a Solicitor when making a Will.

There are two types of legacy: pecuniary (a specified sum) and residuary (the whole or part of an estate after specific gifts have been made). We would urge you to consider a residuary legacy, which is resistant to inflation. If you have already made a Will and would like to add a gift to Vintage Carriages Trust then this can be done by adding a Codicil.

SAMPLE WORDING
The following are suggested Clauses which you can pass to your Solicitor.

PECUNIARY LEGACY
I give free of tax to the Vintage Carriages Trust (registered Charity No.1156931 of The Railway Station, Haworth, KEIGHLEY, West Yorkshire BD22 8NJ, the sum of £............ (and/or specific items such as railway books, magazines, model railway equipment or railwayana) for its general purposes and I declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge.

RESIDUARY LEGACY
I give (for example “ten per cent” or “the whole”) of my estate not otherwise disposed of by this my Will to the Vintage Carriages Trust (registered Charity No.1156931 of The Railway Station, Haworth, KEIGHLEY, West Yorkshire BD22 8NJ, for its general purposes and I declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge.

CODICIL
I________________________________________of
declare this to be a first/second/...........Codicil to my Will
dated_____________________________. In addition to any
legacies given by my said Will I give free of
tax to the Vintage Carriages Trust (registered
Charity No.1156931 of The Railway Station,
Haworth, KEIGHLEY, West Yorkshire BD22
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equipment or railwayana) for its general
purposes and I declare that the receipt of the
Treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge.
In all other respects I confirm my said Will and any other Codicils thereto. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this ........day of..........................20...........

Signed by the said..........................as a Codicil to his/her last will in the presence of us who at his/her request in his/her presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses. (Conclude with names, addresses and signatures of two witnesses).

LIFETIME GIFTS
Some people like to make Charitable Gifts during their lifetime so that they can see the effect of their donations.
The Trust always has a number of projects in progress. The Trust’s Legacy Officer will be happy to discuss your particular requirements with you.

TAX EXEMPTION
Bequests to the Vintage Carriages Trust (Charity Registered in England No.1156931 are exempt from Inheritance Tax in the United Kingdom.
Gifts and bequests to the Trust are free from Capital Gains Tax and Stamp Duty in the United Kingdom.

GIFT AID
Gift Aid is a tax efficient way of enhancing a donation details on request.

If we can provide further help please complete the form below

I would like to speak to your Legacy Officer

I would like to support you now with a donation of:

£........................................

Name ...................................................................................

Address................................................................................

Postcode...............................................................................

Tel No ...................................................................................

Email ....................................................................................

Please send this form to the:

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LEGACIES
How your Legacy can help keep Vintage Carriages Trust’s collection safe for the future