



BRICKET WOOD

STATION HERITAGE TRUST

***Charitable Incorporated Organisation Registered in England and Wales,
Charity number 1176103.***

Trustees' Annual Report 2024

Unfortunately the most notable event of the year, one which left us all very much saddened, was the sudden passing of our Chair Laurie Hart in March this year. Most of you will know that Laurie was one of the founding members of a group whose aim was to restore the station building which then became the Bricket Wood Station Heritage Trust. As well as being a driving force behind the initiation of the station project and setting up the trust he was a guiding hand during the restoration work with his infectious enthusiasm towards the project. He had the ability to enthuse the Trustees in working through issues and help find solutions to make the restored station building the success it is and a lasting legacy to his memory. In honour of his contribution to the Trust and the station project the Trustees have purchased a L&NWR replica station clock as a permanent memorial to Laurie. This has been mounted within the tearoom with a plaque.

Activities of The Trust since the last AGM, which took place on 9th October 2024.

1. Membership has been maintained at 40 members.
2. The Trust is continuing with its changed priorities from a restoration project to a management project in order to secure the long term future of the building.
3. Ongoing maintenance has been carried out, with the help of Network Rail, particularly relating to a continuing leak in the roof. Following replacement of the station canopy covering by Network Rail and some additional work to the station building roof the leak appears to have been dealt with.
4. Having had the replica benches installed a final restoration touch has been the reconstruction of a wooden fence in the forecourt replicating that which would have been in place in 1903.
5. The Tearoom has had another successful year and continues to be well supported by the community. As a result of this success, the hiring activities and the continuing work done in providing interested parties with access to historical records held in the Archive Room, the Trust is considered to be meeting its community objectives.

6. The station building had been entered into the National Railway Heritage Awards last year and at the awards ceremony in December 2024 the building came first in its category “Operational Enhancement”. A plaque from the NRHA recognising this was unveiled in May this year.
7. The station building has been used by several bodies for meetings including the Abbey Line Community Rail Partnership and other community groups. The advisory executive of the Railway Heritage Trust held their annual meeting at the station building to showcase to members the completed restoration. Following the meeting their plaque was formally unveiled.

Our priorities for the next 12 months remain as follows:

- 1 To continue to generate sufficient income to cover operating and maintenance costs to ensure the building continues to be safe and sustainable.
2. To seek to work with Network Rail and West Midlands Trains to enhance the station surroundings where possible but immediately to maintain and repair the forecourt area.
3. Continue to support the community through the tearoom and making the building available for community groups to use.

Finally, on behalf of the Trustees, a big thank you to those many individuals, various organisations and to all our members for their continued support - it is very much appreciated.

Robert Yorke Chair, Bricket Wood Station Heritage Trust

11th September 2025

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BRICKET WOOD STATION HERITAGE TRUST			
ACCOUNTS FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2024			
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT		YEARS	
		2024	2023
RECEIPTS			
Donations		317.48	87548.30
Membership Fees		525.10	436.60
Rental		6336.56	1849.73
TOTAL		7179.14	89834.63
PAYMENTS			
Subscriptions		96.00	208.50
Committee Members Expenses		15.00	0.00
Website		352.80	735.60
Materials		9.84	24431.68
Works		5679.93	104579.11
Contents		10637.63	30682.48
Insurance		1022.49	84.00
Legal Fees		0.00	1867.80
Utilities		2623.45	1498.32
Broadband		378.78	389.76
Waste		1044.28	223.44
Events		196.49	412.30
Miscellaneous		19.99	0.00
TOTAL		22076.68	165112.99
Surplus of Receipts over Payments		-14897.54	-75278.36
TOTAL		7179.14	89834.63
BALANCE SHEET			
Balance on Lloyds Account		42350.48	132526.38
CAPITAL ACCOUNT			
Balance at 1 January		57248.02	132526.38
Surplus of Receipts over Payments		-14897.54	-75278.36
TOTAL		42350.48	57248.02
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