



Following the inception meeting in August, the nominated Steering Group met for the first time on 5<sup>th</sup> October to finalise and progress several matters. Those present were:

Tim Preston (Convener)  
Nigel London (Treasurer)  
Deborah Carver (Fundraiser)  
David Rhydderch (Secretary)  
Keith Leppard (Publicity)  
Tony Clements

### **Vision**

To restore, maintain and promote awareness of the Bluebell Railway's rolling stock designed and/or operated by the Southern Railway.

Note: The reference to rolling stock operated by the Southern Railway is to enable pre-grouping vehicle restorations at some point in the future.

### **Objectives**

- Increase the number of Southern Railway built and designed vehicles in use at the Bluebell Railway, with the initial focus of completing sets of Maunsell and Bulleid carriages
- External promotion activities and raising awareness in the Bluebell Membership and a wider audience through published articles and social media
- Subscriptions, and fundraising, for restorations
- Leadership of campaigns for specific vehicle restoration
- Working with the Carriage and Wagon Trustee, Director and staff to identify the most effective approaches and timescales for restoration and to support maintenance programmes
- Working with the Bluebell Railway Trust to help secure external funding for vehicles along with other fund-raising activities
- Providing a focus for volunteer coordination for those with an interest of this type of vehicle

### **Membership**

Annual membership of the Southern Railway Coach Group will be through a subscription of £15.00 per annum.

Benefits of membership will be:

- Two emailed Newsletters summarising progress and providing articles on Southern Railway Coaches
- Yearly membership meeting and workshop tours aligned with Bluebell Railway Preservation Society AGM

### **Notices**

We continue to look for additional volunteer support to work on restorations and there will be opportunities to support the production of the newsletter. Please contact the Secretary: [david@rhydderch.co.uk](mailto:david@rhydderch.co.uk) if you are interested in these opportunities.



**BLUEBELL RAILWAY**

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

I wish to apply for membership of the Southern Railway Coach Group. Please use block capitals in completing this form:

FIRST NAME..... SURNAME.....

ADDRESS.....

.....POSTCODE .....

EMAIL ADDRESS.....

I would like to become a member of the Southern Railway Coach Group (Please tick)

Single Membership £15.00 per calendar year.

**Paying your membership**

**You can pay your membership in three different ways through the Bluebell Railway Trust – online, by bank transfer or by cheque. In addition, we would welcome other donations to the Southern Railway Coach Group which can be made through the same payment routes.**

Please make sure you **tick the gift aid option** on the forms referenced below to maximise funding where appropriate.

Please make sure you reference the **Restricted Trust Fund – SR Carriages** on the donation form linked below to ensure your membership fee or other donation is used for the purpose intended.

Please also **mark any cheques on the rear: SR Carriages**. If in the event funds cannot be used for a specific project, they will be used for a similar project.

**1. Paying online**

You can pay your membership to the Bluebell Railway Trust via Sage Pay by completing the form on the Trust’s make a donation page <https://www.bluebell-railway.com/trust/make-a-donation/> . Please choose ‘Other Funds’ from the drop-down and write ‘SR Coach Group’ in the message box.

This is a secure transaction that is very cost effective and is set up to claim Gift Aid on your membership fee/donation, subject to your approval.

**2. By bank transfer**

You can pay your membership by bank transfer. Please instruct your bank to make the payment to:

The Bluebell Railway Trust

Account no. 61059056 Sort code 60-10-26

and identify the transaction using the bank reference ‘Your Surname/SRCoachGp’.

Please advise the Trust of your membership by sending a completed declaration form (attached) to:

The Bluebell Railway Trust  
Sheffield Park Station  
East Sussex, TN22 3QL

3. By cheque

Please send your cheque to the Trust by post together with a completed declaration form (attached) to:

The Bluebell Railway Trust  
Sheffield Park Station  
East Sussex, TN22 3QL

If you require a receipt/acknowledgement, please let the Trust know.

PRIVACY STATEMENT

The personal information provided above will be stored on a computer database of members' details and used for administration purposes by the Southern Railway Coach Group's appointed representatives.

By signing this form, you confirm that you agree to give the Southern Railway Coach Group permission to use your personal information for membership purposes, to communicate with you as a Southern Railway Coach Group Member and to send you general information about the Southern Railway Coach Group.

SIGNED.....DATE.....

Please return this form to the Southern Railway Coach Group Membership Secretary:  
[david@rhydderch.co.uk](mailto:david@rhydderch.co.uk)



# Donations to The Bluebell Railway Trust

Please print out and complete this form, and then send it to:

**The Bluebell Railway Trust**, Sheffield Park Station, East Sussex TN22 3QL

Cheques should be payable to **The Bluebell Railway Trust**.

I enclose a gift of £ ..... **AND/OR** I enclose a completed Standing Order Form (delete as appropriate) towards the **Southern Railway Coach Group**

The Bluebell Railway Trust is always grateful for donations and legacies – they enable us to achieve to much that cannot otherwise be afforded by the Railway out of its general income. If you would like more information on leaving a legacy to the Trust, please tick this box:

If you would like to keep up with progress on all Bluebell projects, and are not already on the circulation list of the fortnightly emailed newsletter, please tick this box  and provide your email address:

Email Address .....

If you require an acknowledgement please tick this box  and either provide an email address (above) or a Stamped Addressed Envelope.

**Data Protection Act 2018:** We are committed to protecting your personal information and will not share your details with any organisation outside the Bluebell Railway, which comprises the Bluebell Railway Trust, Bluebell Railway Preservation Society, Bluebell Railway Plc and subsidiary supporting groups. So that we may contact you using the details you have provided, about Bluebell Railway activities that we believe may be of interest to you, please tick this Consent box . Our privacy policy, including your opt-out and access rights, can be found at [www.bluebell-railway.com](http://www.bluebell-railway.com)

## Gift Aid Declaration

**Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate**

Gift Aid is reclaimed by us from the tax you pay for the current tax year.

Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer

**In order to Gift Aid your donation you must tick the boxes as appropriate:**

I want to Gift Aid my donation of £ ..... and any donations I make in the future to The Bluebell Railway Trust, and / or

I want to Gift Aid any donations I have made in the past 4 years to The Bluebell Railway Trust

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

## My details

Title ..... Forename(s) ..... Surname .....

Full home address .....

..... Postcode .....

Date ..... Signature .....

**Please notify The Bluebell Railway Trust if you:** \* Want to cancel this declaration

\* Change your name or home address, \* No longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

**If you pay Income Tax at the higher 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.**

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# The Bluebell Railway Trust – Standing Order Form

Please print out and complete this form, (and the separate Gift Aid declaration if you are a UK income or capital gains tax-payer), and then **send it to:**

**Trevor Swainson, Funding Governor,**

The Bluebell Railway Trust, Sheffield Park Station, East Sussex TN22 3QL

**Standing Order Form** - for regular monthly, quarterly or annual donations.

Please note that to keep bank charges at a sensible level, we would ask that standing orders be for a minimum of £5 – for example payments of £12 a quarter year saves nearly £2 a year in bank charges compared to monthly payments of £4.

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BANKERS ORDER FORM - please complete the following:-

To:

Bank:

Address .....

..... Post Code: ..... Sort Code: . - . - .

A/c name: ..... A/c number: .....

Please pay to National Westminster Bank Plc, Haywards Heath Branch, 1 Muster Green, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 4AP.

Sort Code 60-10-26 to the credit of The Bluebell Railway Trust, A/c no: 61059056

**the sum of £** \_\_\_\_\_ commencing on \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / **20**\_ and thereafter

continue the same monthly / quarterly / annually (**delete as appropriate**) until further notice from me in writing.

Signature: ..... Date: .....

*For Trust use only:* **Bank** please quote reference ..... /SRCoachGp

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