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Sygnets Youth Group B Van Appeal

One of the biggest challenges facing preservation today is how to bring forward the preservationists of tomorrow to enthuse them about a world that disappeared long before they were born and to transfer skills to them before they are lost forever. The Swanage Railway is fortunate in having a strong youth group, known as the Sygnets, with a proven record of delivering committed young volunteers to most if not all departments across the line after they reach 16. However, they really need a base to provide a focus for their activities and team-building as well as provide storage and display space for training purposes.

The Council of Management has decided that they should have the use of the 'B' van acquired a year or so ago from Brighton. The bogie guards van design is ideal for them as it provides both space and light via droplights in each of the doors. However, before it can be fitted out for them – by them – it needs extensive bodywork repairs. These cannot be undertaken at Swanage given that our only workshop space must be devoted to running maintenance. We have therefore committed to have the work done at Cranmore on the East Somerset Railway, following their recent completion of work on the Churchill van. This is expected to cost around £16,000 and we are therefore appealing to members who share our commitment to supporting our young people to help us raise this sum. Preparatory work on the van has already started at Swanage and we anticipate the van moving to Cranmore in the spring.



Our van, S259, is one of the last built in 1952 at Lancing. The above picture is one from the same batch, S256 (photo courtesy John Lewis/SEMG).

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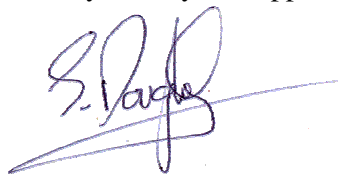
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Our donation form below has had a section added for those who would like formal confirmation that their donation has been received.

Thank you for your support for the Swanage Sygnets.



Steve Doughty
Chairman
Swanage Railway Trust

I wish to support the Swanage Railway Trust's Sygnets B Van Appeal. Please find enclosed a cheque for £..... Cheques should be made payable to the Swanage Railway Trust (Sygnets B van) and sent to the Swanage Railway Trust, Station House, Swanage, DORSET, BH19 1HB. UK taxpayers can enhance the value of their donations by completing a gift aid declaration. If you have not already done so but would like to, please complete and return the form below.

If you would like formal confirmation that your donation has been received, please tick here.....and enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

Donations can also be made on-line using a credit or debit card at the Swanage Railway Trust's website at <http://www.swanagerailwaytrust.org.uk/appeals/>

Use of Funds Statement: It is intended that the funds raised through this appeal will be used specifically for the stated goal. Should circumstances dictate that the Swanage Railway Trust is unable to pursue this project then the funds raised will be used to further the general aims of the Swanage Railway Trust and will be allocated at the discretion of the Council of Management. The Swanage Railway Trust is a Registered Charity No. 1087318

Gift Aid Declaration

Please reclaim tax on all donations made by me since 6th April 2002, and all donations I make in future to the Swanage Railway Trust (Registered Charity No. 1087318). All donations made by me will be treated as Gift Aid Donations. I understand I must pay an annual amount of Income Tax or Capital Gains Tax in the relevant tax year equal to any tax reclaimed by the Trust in that year, and I will advise you if this is not the case. I also understand that I may withdraw at any time by notifying you in writing.

Full Name _____ SRT Membership Number _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Signature _____ Date _____