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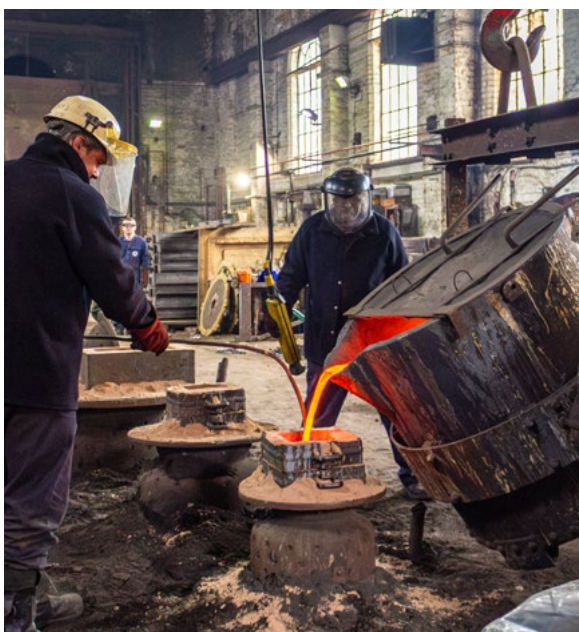
Add to our legacy with yours



By leaving a gift in your Will, you will help safeguard our unique heritage and ensure that the sound of Taylor bells continues to ring out for generations to come.



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Our Legacy

In 1839, Taylor's relocated from Oxford to Loughborough. The foundry soon became not only a centre of innovation and excellence, but also a vital part of the local community.

Today, our precious buildings house the last remaining bellfoundry in the UK still casting bells, and the only place where the centuries-old craft of bellmaking can be witnessed by the public.

Find out more: www.belltrust.co.uk

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How Your Legacy Helps

Our vision is for the Loughborough Bellfoundry to be recognised worldwide as a hub for the art and science of bellfounding and bellringing.

Legacy contributions can make a huge difference for small charities like ours – enabling vital work, supporting financial resilience, and securing our future.

Your support helps us:

- Preserve this historic site and its traditions.
- Train apprentices to keep rare skills alive.
- Welcome visitors from across the world.

With historic buildings, there is always something that needs attention – from urgent roof repairs to specialist equipment. Legacies and donations give us the security to respond quickly.



Every gift, large or small, makes a lasting difference.



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Remembering Us in Your Will

The Loughborough Bellfoundry is not just a part of local history – it is part of world heritage. Bells cast here ring out in cathedrals, churches, universities and town halls across the globe.

Should you choose to leave a gift to the Loughborough Bellfoundry Trust in your Will, your generosity will directly support the survival of this extraordinary place and help ensure:

- The sound of bells continues to mark life's moments – from weddings to national commemorations.
- The skills of bellmaking are passed on to future generations.
- This rare and remarkable craft remains alive, not just in museums, but in active use.



Your legacy gifts will preserve history and inspire the future.



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How to Leave a Gift

We understand that family and friends come first. Many people choose to support causes they care about by leaving a gift in their Will. It is straightforward to do, and we recommend speaking with your solicitor to make sure your wishes are clearly recorded.

If you decide to include us, you will need the following information:

The Loughborough Bellfoundry Trust

Freehold Street, Loughborough, Leicestershire
(Charity Number: 1166562)



Types of gifts you can leave

- **Pecuniary gift** – a fixed sum of money (note: this may lose value over time due to inflation).
- **Specific gift** – an item such as jewellery, stocks, or other assets.
- **Residuary gift** – a percentage of your estate once all other gifts and costs have been met (this is often the most effective way to leave a charitable gift).

Tax Considerations

As a registered charity, any gift you leave to the Loughborough Bellfoundry Trust is exempt from Inheritance Tax.

If you leave more than 10% of the net value of your estate to charity, you may also qualify for a reduced rate of Inheritance Tax on some other assets.

For advice tailored to your circumstances, we recommend speaking with a qualified professional.

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About The Bellfoundry

The Loughborough Bellfoundry Trust was established in 2016 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) to protect the historic John Taylor Bellfoundry buildings, archive, and museum collections for future generations.

Thanks to the generous support of the National Lottery Heritage Fund and many valued donors, we have restored and safeguarded our precious Grade II* listed site. In autumn 2024, we proudly relaunched our refurbished interactive museum and visitor experience – and the bellfoundry was removed from the national Heritage at Risk register.

Today, we look forward to a future where our bells continue to inspire, connect, and resonate across the world.



If you have anymore questions please contact us:

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