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Tear off this section and post to Pete Wearn,
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What You Can Do To Help Us

If you have any memories from those years when the Toton Sidings were a thriving concern, get in touch with us giving a brief summary of what you did. Or maybe your father, uncle or grandad have some memories you could pass on!



See inside for how to make a contribution to the project

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Toton Sidings Remembered 1856-1984



This exciting project aims to revive memories of an amazing local railway marshalling yard called Toton Sidings located near Long Eaton.

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The Heritage

Construction began in 1856 to serve local collieries. The rapid growth of the coal industry encouraged expansion so by 1885 an average of 26,000 wagons passed through the yards each winter month.

The yard became the largest in Europe and after introducing semi automatic hump shunting could handle 2 million wagons a year.



We are very grateful to the Heritage Lottery Fund for their award of £9,600 to fund our venture.

We look forward to working with HLF, Erewash Museum, Erewash Borough Council and Long Eaton Library over the next 2 years.

Toton Sidings Exhibition

We mounted an exhibition at The Erewash Museum starting from Friday May 26th to Saturday July 15th 2017 with 2 Open Days. The exhibition attracted a lot of interest and we would like to thank all those who worked hard to make it a success.



The exhibition will be moving to The Long Eaton Library on Tuesday September 19th till Mon December 11th. To accompany the exhibition, we will put on an Open Day to be held on Saturday October 7th. Come along on that day and meet the project team and view our model railway layouts.

Toton Sidings Local Schools

We will send a team out to local schools with an illustrated talk about how the marshalling yards worked. We would offer workshops on topics such as gravity shunting, canals vs railways and steam vs diesel power. Some schools might take the topics further as part of their curriculum.

BR Poster Commission

The project team have commissioned a poster artist to produce a marvellous poster showing how the yards worked.

The track layout design is based on a famous BR poster made in 1951 to illustrate the workings of a similar yard in Cambridgeshire called Whitemoor. Come to the exhibition to view this excellent artefact.