

# The Grandisson Circle: making a lasting difference for future generations

Remembering Exeter Cathedral in your will can make a real difference to the future of the Cathedral. Please consider adding to the generous support you already give us, in this long-lasting way.

Gifts in wills have helped to protect our heritage and our traditions through the ages. Such gifts have maintained the fabric of the Cathedral, endowed our music and our library, and supported our daily life and work over the centuries. During the past three years, all unrestricted legacies to Dean and Chapter have been put into our development fund, and it's this that has allowed us to apply to the National Lottery Heritage Fund with our initial match-funding. All gifts, including some relatively small ones, are helping to make a massive impact because they are being used to attract other donations and grants.

You may choose to support the Music Foundation Trust whose endowment fund is vital, supporting as it does half our annual music costs. The trustees are keen to build the fund to contribute all of the music costs in the next ten years. This will help to secure the future of one of the most vulnerable aspects of Cathedral life.

You may wish to make a gift to the Friends, whose funds help to conserve our beautiful Cathedral for the long term and support Cathedral life in many different ways. Friends' grants currently help us to fund the cost of our stonemasons and develop their skills and training as they work round the Cathedral caring for every stone.

As you can see, the provision you make now will make a lasting difference to the Cathedral for future generations. We would like to create a 'Grandisson Circle,' recognising those who are able to commit to help us in this way. Will you be one of the first to join by adding a gift in your will? Please get in touch with us and share your story of what Exeter Cathedral means to you.

The Very Revd Jonathan Greener Dean of Exeter





Thank you for supporting Exeter Cathedral with a gift in your will. If you have yet to do so, please drop a note to your solicitor to say the organisations you would like to support:

- The Dean and Chapter of Exeter,
- Exeter Cathedral Music Foundation Trust (charity number 297365),
- and The Friends of Exeter Cathedral (charity number 207096).

There is no obligation to let us know about your intentions but if you do let us know, we will be able to say thank you in your lifetime by inviting you to join The Grandisson Circle. As a member of The Grandisson Circle we will offer an exclusive event each year which will provide an opportunity to hear first-hand about our latest work and future plans, to share hospitality and the joy of music together. As a token of our thanks we will send you a specially commissioned enamel lapel badge to wear as a member of The Grandisson Circle.

## My Pledge

Title:	First name:		
Surname:			
Address:			
		Postcode:	
Telephone Numb	er:		
Email address:			
Date:			

If you would be willing to share the details of your gift we would be very grateful. By filling in this form you are not making any legally binding statements. You can review your gifts at any time or if your circumstances change. Please also be assured that the details you share are kept in the strictest confidence.

I would like to leave a legacy and would like you to contact me

I have already included the following Cathedral organisation/s in my will and would like to join the Grandisson Circle:

I would like to remain anonymous but I have already included the following Cathedral organisation/s in my will:

A gift of any amount is truly valued so please don't be put off leaving a specific sum of whatever size however, if you could consider leaving 1% of your estate, or indeed another proportion, this will be a fantastic gift and will of course keep pace with future inflation.

I am happy to share the following details of my gift:

There are potential tax advantages in leaving gifts to charities, please speak to your professional advisors about this.

Finally, please share your story with us. Your memories of Exeter Cathedral, a specific occasion, or what the Cathedral means to you. It is always inspiring to learn individual stories. Everyone has a special and unique reason why Exeter Cathedral is close to their heart. Please tell us yours:

Thank you for your story. Thank you for your foresight, every single gift of whatever amount makes a real difference. Thank you for taking action today to safeguard the Cathedral we love for the future.

Next steps

Please send this form to Jill Taylor, Director of Development at Exeter Cathedral, and we will be in touch to confirm receipt as soon as possible.

#### Send by email:

jill.taylor@exeter-cathedral.org.uk

#### Send by post:

Jill Taylor Director of Development Exeter Cathedral 1 The Cloisters Exeter, EX1 1HS

### Questions?

If you have any questions, would like to discuss your pledge, or any other aspect of giving to Exeter Cathedral, please contact Jill Taylor. You can email Jill at: **Jill.taylor@exeter-cathedral.org.uk** or telephone **01392 413174** 

**Data protection:** Your details will be held by Exeter Cathedral. The information is held for the purpose of recording your intended gift and from time to time sending you information about the Cathedral. The information will not be accessed or shared with external third parties other than the trustees and their officers of the charity you have nominated, unless you specify otherwise.