

Why not join us?

Membership is a way of supporting the development of the Railway Nursery at Poppleton for community use. The Nursery year runs from January 1st to December 31st. Membership is open to all with two main categories: Full members at £5 and Concessions at £2 for Students, Unwaged and Over 60's. Corporate and day membership is available for groups and visitors - please ask for details.

Only members over 18 will be eligible to vote and stand as directors of the Company. Members are able to take part in all activities at the nursery, and also receive a 10% discount on plants bought. Access to the site is normally restricted to members except on Open Days.

To support the Nursery project and become a member please fill in the tear-off form below. We would welcome your support!

To: Membership Secretary, Poppleton Community Railway Nursery, Station Road, Upper Poppleton, York. YO26. 6QA

I would like to join Poppleton Community Railway Nursery and enclose a cheque for £____ (please make cheques payable to: **Poppleton Community Railway Nursery Ltd**). Additional donations would be very welcome.

Surname:

Title: Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms:

First names.....

Date of Birth:.....

Address:.....

Post Code:..... Phone No:.....

Email Address:..... Full / Concession

Skills/Interests.....

Signature.....

Who are we?

We are a volunteer led group, with charitable aims, set up to restore the former railway nursery at Poppleton Station near York to its former glory. Our aim is to renovate the buildings, greenhouses and narrow gauge railway and produce a variety of plants to sell to the public.

Why is the nursery special?

It is the UK's last surviving railway nursery, established in the days when the railways were self sufficient. It contains several historic buildings and greenhouses, still connected by its own small railway system.



What do we do?

We work with local organisations and groups including the NHS and independent volunteers, we welcome people of all ages and abilities. The nursery is used to benefit the wider community by providing opportunities to develop skills in all aspects of growing plants and simple DIY skills to maintain and repair the buildings on the site.

A brief history of the Nursery

The nursery was built in the 1940's to grow vegetables for railway hotels and refreshment rooms during the war, later it grew plants for station displays, special events and landscaping schemes across the north east of. The nursery was extended in the 1980's by British Rail and a narrow gauge railway was built to serve the site. It was privatised in 1996 and run down finally closing in 2006. In 2009 a voluntary group was set up to run the nursery for community use and the site was leased from Network Rail. The nursery and its buildings are gradually being brought back to life; the railway has been restored and is back in use, with an extension planned for the near future.

What do we sell?

We sell bedding plants, perennials, shrubs, potted bulbs, and seasonal products that are grown or produced on the site. These are sold from sales at the nursery and at other locations, including two local hospitals. We also provide plants for a number of stations, including Poppleton Station itself and others on the Settle-Carlisle line.

Opening and sales

Open days and sales are carried out regularly throughout the year. The open days are between 10am & 3.00pm or 4.00pm, depending on the time of year and our Saturday sales are open between 10am & 12 noon. We also have regular sales at York District Hospital - these take place at the front entrance charity stall, and in the Mallard Restaurant, and at Bootham Park Hospital next to the hospital shop between 10.30am and 1.30pm. Please visit our website for details of Saturday opening dates and when to find our sales stands at the local hospitals.

How can I help?

Volunteers are required for many tasks such as horticulture, restoration, administration and helping out at sales. We are open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9.30 - 4.30 and Thursdays 1.30 - 8.00. To become a volunteer you need to be a member but even if you can't spare the time to help at the nursery, your support will still be very welcome. See back page for further details on membership options.

How to Find Us

The nursery is situated through Poppleton Station car park. There is a smaller car park off the station car park which is open when the nursery is open. Poppleton Station is served by Northern Trains on the York to Harrogate line. The nearest bus stop is on the Green at Upper Poppleton which is served by First service 10 from York and Transdev service 20 from Monks Cross.

Contact details

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Visit us soon to buy bedding plants, perennials, shrubs, bulbs and seasonal items!

