

Information

This event guide and the events organised by the Leicester Museums Technology Association, the volunteer group supporting the museum, in cooperation with the Leicester City Council Museum Service.

Opening Times

The Abbey Pumping Station Museum is open from February to October from 11.00am to 4.30pm, with the exception of special event days.

Admission Charges

Entry is free except for special event days when the following charges apply.

Tickets booked in advance:

Adult	£6
Concessions	£5
Child, over 5 years	£2
Family, 2 adults 2 children	£15
Steam With The Team	£9

Tickets can be booked online at www.leicestermuseums.org/abbey-pumping-station/ or by calling 0116 299 5111

On the gate

Adult	£7
Concessions	£6
Child, over 5 years	£3
Family, 2 adults 2 children	£18
Steam With The Team	£10

Museum Tours

Tours of the museum with an entertaining and informative guide can be booked for groups of all kinds. Tours can also be tailored to meet your specific requirements.

To book a tour contact enquiries@abbeypumpingstation.org or aps@leicester.gov.uk

How to find us

The Abbey Pumping Station is about 1 mile north of Leicester City centre. Situated on the Riverside Walk and Sustrans cycleway and moments from the National Space Centre.

📍 Abbey Pumping Station, Corporation Road, Leicester, LE4 5PX

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Parking

Pay and display parking, including disabled parking, is available on the National Space Centre car Park. Use postcode LE4 5NS, what three words valid.amber.us

Public Transport

The Abbey Pumping Station is accessible by a number of different bus and train routes, as well as Sustrans cycle route 6. There is cycle parking on site.



Scan the QR code for directions.

Special Needs Access

Level access is available in the grounds, museum displays and railway. Wheelchair loan is available on request and audio interpretation and hands-on displays are featured throughout the exhibitions. A staff assisted lift allows access to the beam engine house There is an accessible toilet and baby changing facilities.

Refreshments

Light refreshments available on special event days only.

Please note that events may be subject to change without prior notice. All engines and working exhibits operate subject to availability and safe working.



Abbey Pumping Station
Leicester's Industrial Museum



Registered Charity Number 1052391



2025 Calendar

February

Tues 18th Half Term Railway Day
 Sun 23rd Steam Toys in Action ●●

March

Sat 29th Steam with the Team ●

April

Sat 5th Railway Day ●
 Gala Day including Model Railways
 Tues 22nd Half Term Railway Day

May

Sun 11th Emergency Services Day ●
 Tues 27th Half Term Railway Day

June

Sat 7th Railway Day ●
 Teddy Bears - 3pm close

July

Sat 5th Railway Day ●
 Meccano
 Tues 15th, 22nd, 29th Summer Holiday Railways

August

Tues 5th, 12th, 19th Summer Holiday Railways
 Sun 17th Summer Family Fun Day ●●

October

Sat 4th Railway Day ●
 Models
 Tues 21st Half Term Railway Day
 Sat 25th Steam with the Team ●

November

Sat 29th Steam with the Team ●
 Sun 30th Christmas Steam Day ●●

● Beam Engines in Steam ● Steam Hauled Railway

Railway Days

Admission Free (Small charge for train rides)
 Trains run 11.30am until 4.00pm

On Saturday Railway Days and Special Events, the site Narrow Gauge Railway will be steam hauled by Leonard, the 1919 Bagnall locomotive.

On Tuesday running days the Narrow gauge railway will be hauled by Peter, or one of the other resident IC locos.



Steam with the Team

Admission £9 prebooked or £10 on the door

Tour times: Every 30 mins from 11am to 3pm

This is your chance to take a full guided tour of the Beam Engine House while the engine is working, and access areas only available on Steam with the Team tours! Our knowledgeable guides are on hand to answer any questions you have about the engines and their history (max group size 20).

Recommended for those aged 10 years and above.

Pre-booking highly recommended on 0116 299 5111 or www.leicestermuseums.org/abbey-pumping-station/



Steam Toys In Action

Admission Charges Apply
 Museum open 12.00pm until 4.30pm

Celebrate the 35th anniversary of this beloved event! Watch a magnificent beam engine in motion and explore a delightful display of steam-powered toy engines, boats and trains.



Emergency Services Day

Admission Charges Apply
 Museum open 12.00pm until 4.30pm

Experience an action packed day with fire engines, ambulances, police cars and other emergency service vehicles. Enjoy live demonstrations, plus one of our impressive beam engines in steam.



Summer Family Fun Day

Admission Charges Apply
 Museum open 12.00pm until 4.30pm

Step into a lively village gala atmosphere with fun stalls, vintage vehicles and a beam engine in steam. Enjoy affordable games for a fantastic day out!



Christmas Steam Day

Admission Charges Apply
 Museum open 11.30am until 4.30pm

Welcome back to this festive favourite! A beam engine will be in steam, a band will play Christmas classics, and vintage Christmas toys, from model railways to steam engines, will be on display alongside museum vehicles and running trains.



On events days please use the National Space Centre gate only.