

SHARE APPLICATION

To: The Company Secretary, 45163 Ltd

1. I hereby apply for £10.00 Premium Shares (*Share allocation will be in multiples of 50*) and agree to abide by the company rules. I am over 18 years of age.

2. Either: I have completed the Bankers Order form below for monthly payments of £..... making a total of £.....

Or: I have completed the Bankers Order form below for monthly payments of £..... until instruction is countermanded in writing.

Or: I prefer to pay £..... as a lump sum and enclose my cheque payable to 45163 Ltd herewith.

(Please delete whichever does not apply)

Name

Address

.....

.....Postcode.....

Signature.....Date...../...../.....

BANKERS ORDER

To: The Manager.....Bank plc (Sort Code : :)

Bank Address.....

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.....Postcode.....

Please pay the following:- (*Delete as necessary*)

Either:

i) £500.00 by monthly installments of £..... on the 1st day of each month

Or:

ii) £..... on the 1st day of each month until further instructions are received in writing from me.

Payments should commence on 1st20..... to
45163 Ltd at HSBC Bank plc., (Sortcode 40-12-03) Acc. No. 81228293

Signed..... Account number.....

Your name.....Address.....

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.....Postcode.....

Please return form to: The Company Secretary, 45163 Ltd, 4 Whitlock Drive,
Great Yeldham, Halstead, Essex, CO9 4EE. (**NOT** to your bank)

45163 LTD.

Owners of Stanier Black Five Steam Locomotive No 45163



Project details and Part ownership scheme.

Locomotive number 45163 was purchased in 1991 by a group of working volunteers from the Colne Valley Railway (CVR). A limited company was formed that owns the engine along with a supporting group for the volunteers to work on the restoration and ultimately help with the operation of the locomotive.

The locomotive was built by Armstrong Whitworth Limited at Newcastle in July 1935 for the London, Midland and Scottish Railway to William Stanier's highly successful mixed traffic 4-6-0 design. This class of engine eventually numbered 842 examples and, because of their black livery, became widely known as "Black 5's". They were extremely versatile machines and were equally at home handling anything from a short pick up goods train to mainline passenger trains. This is born out by the fact that many survived in service right up to the last day of B.R. steam in August 1968.

Number 45163 spent the majority of its working life in Scotland and North West England before being withdrawn from Carlisle Kingmoor shed in May 1965. It was then fortunate in becoming one of the many engines purchased for scrap by Woodhams of Barry, South Wales. Fortunate, that is, because as is widely known, the scrapping of redundant wagons took precedence over the large stock of rusting steam locomotives, until all had been saved for preservation. Number 45163 was one of the later departures, leaving the yard in January 1987 after having spent nearly 22 years there. The locomotive was first moved to the Hull headquarters of the Humberside Locomotive Preservation Group where dismantling and restoration commenced. The 45163 Restoration group purchased the engine at the end of 1991 and moved it to the CVR in 1993.

Since the CVR had no undercover engineering facilities our first priority was to establish an engineering base inside our own workshop. A 75' x 40' building was erected and kitted out with a lot of the equipment we would need and this is the building in which the project now resides.

A lot of work has been undertaken in obtaining the missing parts required for the re-build. This included a full set of boiler fittings, all the motion parts which include the forging and machining of a new set of connecting rods and a myriad of smaller parts required to complete the project.



The bogie complete awaiting re-wheeling

The work is carried out by volunteers of the 45163 Restoration Group except where a task is outside our workshop capacity or skills. Regular work weekends are held throughout the year with smaller work parties active on most

weekends. A host of comprehensive structural repairs have been completed on the frames which are now being re-assembled in preparation for re-wheeling. The funds to pay for the materials and any sub-contract work is raised through income from the sale of shares in our engine and any donations received.



The front end starting to come together in our engineering works at the CVR

We need your help to ensure that 45163 can steam again, you can help by joining our restoration group and volunteering to come and help work on the restoration and/or contribute financially by becoming a shareholder in the owning consortium, 45163 Limited. Minimum blocks of 50 shares are available for a cost of £500 (being £10 per share) payable in a lump sum or the block of shares can be purchased in instalments over a maximum of 50 months at a minimum monthly rate of £10. All shareholders automatically become a member of the 45163 Restoration Group and are encouraged to come and join us as volunteers to help work on the engine. You will also receive our newsletter 'Black Track' which will keep you up to date with news if you are unable to visit very regularly to see progress for yourself.

In addition any shareholder who purchases a block of 50 shares by a single payment will also receive a copy of a limited edition print of a painting depicting 45163, 'Coasting Down to Kyle' by railway artist Malcolm Root.

If you wish to become a shareholder please complete the form attached and send it to: The Company Secretary, 45163 Limited, 4 Whitlock Drive, Great Yeldham, Halstead, Essex, CO9 4EE.