
LANCASTRIAN TRANSPORT TRUST

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Collection Policy

1. The Lancastrian Transport Trust was inaugurated in 1996 from the erstwhile Lancastrian Transport Group which was formed back in 1982. Over the years a growing number of vehicles has joined the preserved fleet and the purpose of this document is to highlight the rationale behind their acquisition and guide Trustees in the choice of future additions to the collection.

OBJECTS OF THE TRUST

2. The governing document of the Trust is the Trust Deed and this states that the objects of the Trust “shall be to educate the public in the history of public transport by means of the acquisition of vehicles of historical significance and restoration of such vehicles to operational condition so that the public may experience travel on the transport of yesteryear”.
3. It follows from this that vehicles acquired should be:
 - of historical significance
 - in a condition that will, through appropriate restoration work, allow the vehicle to become operational.

AN EMERGING POLICY

4. Since the early days of the Trust the collection has acquired a geographical theme to avoid duplication of effort from other similar groups and also to fill the gaps in the transport heritage relevant to the Fylde coast where the Trust is based.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

5. The Trust’s interpretation of Historical Significance is defined below and provides a guide towards future vehicle acquisition. Where the vehicle is:
 - a) the last example of its type in existence.
 - b) a representative of a type of vehicle that was once a common part of the public transport scene.
 - c) either (or amongst) the first or last of its type built.
 - d) represents a significant phase of public transport development.
 - e) unique either because of modifications made whilst in passenger service or because it was a prototype vehicle.
 - f) of local construction and represents the part played in the development of public transport by local industry.
6. Wherever possible the Trust should avoid preserving vehicles where this would act as a duplicate to other vehicles already preserved elsewhere. Where this is thought necessary, attempts should be made to portray the vehicle in such a way as to represent a different period in the type’s life.
7. The Trust will also give strong preference to vehicles that have a particular relevance to the Fylde coast. Either the vehicle could have spent its working life on the Fylde coast or could have been a regular visitor to the coast.

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