

WELBURN CHURCH ORGAN FUND – ADOPT A FATHER WILLIS ORGAN PIPE

The organ in St John's, Welburn Church was built around 1875 by the celebrated firm of Henry Willis & Sons. Henry Willis is generally regarded as the greatest organ builder of the nineteenth century and his role in developing the modern English organ earned him the title "Father" Willis. Tonally unaltered examples of his work are rare, and the historical value of ours at Welburn was recognised in 2017 when the British Institute of Organ Studies awarded it a Historic Organ Certificate.

After nearly 150 years of unfailing service the organ is now partly infested with woodworm and is in general need of repair. Restoration will cost in the region of £80.000 and the "Adopt a Father Willis Organ Pipe" scheme is part of Welburn Church's effort to raise that sum.

Each of the organ's 879 pipes will need to be checked over, cleaned, and repaired as necessary. You will be able to adopt one pipe, a number of pipes, or a complete "rank" (row) of pipes – the choice is yours – and whichever pipe(s) you adopt will be exclusive to you. If you are a taxpayer, you can also Gift Aid your donation increasing its value by 25%.

Each keyboard on the Welburn organ has its own rank of pipes. There are 58 pipes per rank for the Great and Swell Organs (lower and top keyboards) and 30 pipes for the Pedal Organ (played by the feet). The number after the name of each rank (i.e. Principal 4) is the length in feet of the largest pipe.

GREAT ORGAN

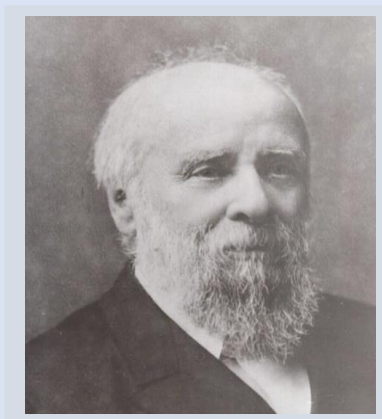
- Open Diapason 8
- Stopped Diapason 8
- Dulciana 8
- Principal 4
- Flute Harmonique 4
- Fifteenth 2
- Mixture 2
- Clarionet 8

SWELL ORGAN

- Open Diapason 8
- Lieblich Gedact 8
- Gemshorn 4
- Cornopean 8

PEDAL ORGAN

- Bourdon 16



Henry Willis

If you would like to help with the cost of renovating an individual pipe, several pipes or even a whole row of pipes, then fill in the form opposite.

Alternatively, you may wish to do this online. Please visit our website at: savewelburnorgan.org

HERE'S HOW ADOPTION WORKS

To adopt a pipe, put a number in a box or boxes below to specify which pipe(s) you are adopting and how many.

Then return this leaflet by email to [yorkieras@gmail](mailto:yorkieras@gmail.com) and make your payment to:
St John's Church Welburn PCC
Sort Code: 40-52-40 | Account No.: 00013363

Or, if you prefer, please enclose a cheque for the total sum, made payable to 'St John's Church Welburn PCC', and send this form and accompanying cheque to the address below.

Here are our different levels of adoption:

- ☐ £2 would adopt a single mixture pipe (restricted to children under 16)
- ☐ £5 a 2 foot Fifteenth pipe (58 available)
- ☐ £10 a 4 foot Principal, Gemshorn or Flute Harmonique pipe (58 of each available)
- ☐ £15 a 8 foot Stopped Diapason or Lieblich Gedact pipe (58 of each available)
- ☐ £20 a 8 foot Cornopean reed pipe (different and distinct from other pipes) (58 available)
- ☐ £25 a 8 foot Clarionet reed pipe, a magnificent Father Willis speciality! (46 available)
- ☐ £25 a 8 foot Dulciana pipe (visible in Transept case) (58 available)
- ☐ £25 a 8 foot Swell Open Diapason pipe (58 available)
- ☐ £30 a Great Open Diapason pipe (visible in front case) (58 available)
- ☐ £40 a 16 foot Pedal Boudon pipe (30 available)

☐ I have paid £ by bank transfer

☐ I enclose a cheque for the amount of £

Welburn Church Organ Fund
c/o "Glenstone", Church Lane, Welburn, YO60 7EG

YOUR DETAILS (Block capitals)

Title:

First Name:

Surname:

Address:

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Postcode:

Telephone:

Email:

GIFT AID DECLARATION

Did you know that for every pound gifted to St John's Organ Fund we can claim 25p Gift Aid Relief, making your contribution go further? To help in this way, please tick, sign and date below.

☐ I am a UK taxpayer and I would like St John's Organ Fund to treat this donation and any donation hereafter as Gift Aid donations. I understand that if I pay less Income Tax / Capital Gains Tax than the amount of the Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that Tax Year, it is my responsibility to pay the difference.

Signature:

Date: