Information on leaving a legacy

Any changes to your will should be made in consultation with your solicitor. The below are guidelines, giving an indication of appropriate wordings, and explaining the different types of legacy you may wish to make.

Types of bequest

There are several types of bequest, and it is important that you choose the type that best reflect your wishes, both for Westcott and any other beneficiaries.

- Pecuniary Bequests: a bequest for a set sum, which can be index-linked to inflation in order to maintain the gift’s value over time.

- Residuary Bequests: this allows for all, or a defined percentage, of your estate to be left to the College once other specified gifts have been made.

- Reversionary Bequests: where a legator bequeaths all or part of their assets to a named beneficiary, who then has the use of them in their own lifetime; after this, the estate or the specified part of the estate, 'reverts' to the College.

- Specific/non-monetary bequests: refers to gifts of shares, property, works of art, or anything else of value which the College would retain or realise the value of.

Suggested Wording

I give to WESTCOTT HOUSE, JESUS LANE, CAMBRIDGE (Registered Charity Number 311445) the residue / [a proportion] of the residue of my estate / the sum of £[amount] free of tax for the general purposes of the House AND I DECLARE that the receipt of the Director of Finance or other authorised officer for the time being of the House shall be a good and sufficient discharge to my executors.

It is important to note that the above is intended as information only, and any changes to your will should be made in consultation with an appropriate legal professional.
First name: ____________________________________________
Surname: ____________________________________________
Title: _______________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________
__________________________________________________
__________________________________________________
Postcode: _________________________
Email: _____________________________________________
Phone Number: _____________________________________

☐ I wish to discuss remembering Westcott House in my Will.
☐ I have remembered Westcott House in my Will.

A Will is a very private matter. There is no need to tell us if you have remembered Westcott House in your Will, but if you do wish to share this information with us it would help us to plan.

Optional Details

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Signature: __________________________________________

Date of Notification: ______________

Please return the completed form to: The Administration and Communications Manager, Westcott House, Jesus Lane, Cambridge, CB5 8BP