

ECOGLASS CASE STUDY

Whitwell and Reepham Railway Station



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Whitwell and Reepham
Railway Preservation Society

FULL STEAM AHEAD FOR ECOGLASS AND WHITWELL AND REEPHAM RAILWAY STATION

Passion projects require a certain level of discipline, adoration and commitment. A vision to know the potential, and the realism to understand what it takes to get there.

For Mike Urry, the restoration of Whitwell and Reepham Railway Station has been more than a vision and commitment; it's been a passion in every sense of the word.

Nestled in the mid-Norfolk countryside, the site was lovingly restored and reopened to the public in 2009, 50 years after it was first closed to passengers. Today, the station runs as a not-for-profit attraction for local families and train enthusiasts, boasting a re-laid track and sidings alongside an impressive collection of steam trains.

The old station now enjoys a new lease of life thanks to the investment and vision of Mike, who personally manages the fundraising efforts, ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the station and its grounds, preserving an old legacy for future generations.

STOCK REPAIRS

Mike contacted Ecoglass for support on window glazing repairs to one of their trains. The old carriage is being re-imagined as a contemporary sports bar, and the glazing required extensive upgrades as they were no longer fit for purpose.

Mark High, Commercial Director was personally involved in this project; "What Mike has achieved and continues to strive for is incredibly impressive. The station and its cafe

are not only supporting the local tourist economy but also giving a renewed sense of purpose to what would have otherwise remained an abandoned railway site.

His passion, perseverance and commitment to the local community align closely with our own values at Ecoglass, and it felt right to help where we could, to make the glazing repairs as cost-effective as possible."



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AN ON-GOING COLLABORATION

This collaboration was born in recognition of the dedication Mike invests into preserving a vital piece of Norfolk's railway heritage. By supporting this small part of the restoration, we were able to contribute towards protecting something that holds real value for the local community.

Ecoglass will continue to remain patrons of the site, offering our support where possible to help Whitwell and Reepham Railway Station thrive for years to come.

The restored carriage, which Mike is naming in honour of his parents, is set to open to the public in 2026. Once complete, it will become another valuable part of the station's offering, providing a unique entertainment space for the local community.

