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YOUR LEGACY TO NEWNHAM

NEWNHAM COLLEGE  
UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE



Newnham changed my life when I came here from Coventry as an undergraduate in 1980. Without Newnham, I would not have become a civil servant and an Ambassador. Without the friends I made whilst at Newnham, my life would be immeasurably poorer.

Since my return to Newnham as Principal, I have seen at first hand the positive impact which legacy donations have had on the lives of our students and through helping the College weather the financial storm of the pandemic. When I recently decided to rewrite my will, it made sense to include a gift to Newnham.

Will you join me and pledge a gift to Newnham in your will?

In this brochure you can read about the tradition of legacies throughout the 150 years of Newnham's history and what that means for the students of today.

My colleagues in the Development Office are happy to provide further information or advice.

Please consider this important way of being part of Newnham's future.

Thank you Alison Rose

ALISON ROSE (NC1980),  
PRINCIPAL OF NEWNHAM COLLEGE  
CAMBRIDGE

## 150 YEARS OF LEGACIES

Since 1871, legacies have played a central role in the development of Newnham College and the lives of its people.

From the building of the College estates, including the Library, to the establishment of dedicated research centres such as the Skilliter Centre for Ottoman Studies and the Margaret Anstee Centre for Global Studies, to the endowment of academic Fellowships including the Gibbs Travelling Research Fellowship, Newnham's international reputation and academic successes are built on a foundation of legacy gifts.

Legacy donations have provided hardship funds, bursaries and academic prizes.

Legacy donations have enabled the College to purchase books, sports equipment and music tuition for our students.

Legacy donations have endowed academic posts and graduate studentships.

Legacy donations have funded capital developments and improvements to our buildings, refurbishment of our spaces and investment in our gardens and grounds.

The College of today is the legacy of those friends and supporters of yesterday.



## NEWNHAM TODAY ROSA CAMPBELL (NC 2016)

'At Newnham I have stepped into my power'.

I came to postgraduate study after five years working as a special needs teacher in London. As an Australian, there is no way I could have come to Newnham without financial support: fees for overseas students are just too high.

Part of my funding has come from the Rhoda M. Dorsey Graduate Studentship Fund which was established in 2014 from a legacy given to Newnham by Dr Rhoda Dorsey (NC 1949). Rhoda Dorsey came up to Newnham as a Fulbright Scholar, and went on to a successful career as a historian and academic in the United States.

I study the history of feminism and I feel a strong thread of connection to the strong Newnham women who have come before me, in this place which is part of that history. It feels fitting that the legacy of one of these women has brought me here. Newnham has changed my life and enabled me to grow into the person I was meant to be.



## SUPPORTING THE NEXT GENERATION

I am proud and pleased to serve as the Patron of Newnham's legacy group, the **Sidgwick Society**.

Nothing has so enriched my life as my time at Newnham and I acknowledge with gratitude what I owe to my old College.

I urge all of you who feel as I do, that others must have the same opportunities and range of experience that we did, to include a gift to Newnham in your will.

Your bequest will allow Newnham to continue nourishing succeeding generations.

MIRIAM MARGOLYES OBE (NC 1960)

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## THE SIDGWICK SOCIETY

The Sidgwick Society is a group for all those who notify us of their intentions to remember Newnham in their will, irrespective of the size of the legacy.

We are relaunching the Sidgwick Society as part of the 150th anniversary, and members will be invited to an annual event with a guest, an opportunity to visit the College and meet the Principal.

Please let us know if you have pledged a gift to Newnham in your will so that we can make sure that you are included in the invitations to Sidgwick Society events.





## LEGACY WORDING

We recommend using the following wording to leave a legacy to Newnham College in your will, as long as the bequest is straightforward. If you are planning on leaving a more complicated bequest, please contact your solicitor for advice.

*I give to the Principal and Fellows of Newnham College Cambridge (Registered Charity number 1137512) [the residue of my estate]/ [x% of the residue of my estate]/ [the sum of £x] free of tax for the general purposes of the College. I declare that the receipt of the Bursar or other authorised officer of the College shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my Executors and Trustees who shall not thereafter be concerned as to the application of this gift.*

If you already have a will, but you have decided that you would like to leave a gift to Newnham College, there is no need to rewrite it completely – you just need to add a simple codicil.

A codicil doesn't have to change the terms of your will: it is a supplement, which changes or amends part of the will. If you decide to change your will substantially, we recommend that you contact your solicitor for advice.

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## 150 YEARS OF NEWNHAM

To mark 150 years of legacies to Newnham, we are seeking to secure 150 new written legacy pledges from alumnae, supporters and friends of the College.

To safeguard and enhance our future, and the future of Newnham students, please consider including a gift to Newnham in your will.

Please join the generations of past Newnhamites and include the College in your estate plans.

You can let us know that you have done this by completing and returning the detachable form on the next page, or by completing an online version of this form at <https://www.newn.cam.ac.uk/alumnae/giving-to-newnham/leaving-a-legacy>

## LEGACY PLEDGE FORM

### I WOULD LIKE TO HELP NEWNHAM COLLEGE IN MY WILL

If you have included Newnham in your will (or are intending to) please let us know by completing and returning this form. This pledge form is not a binding document, it is simply a statement of your intentions and will assist the College in its long-term planning. It also enables us to show our gratitude for your gift during your lifetime and to make you a member of the Sidgwick Society.

### I HAVE REMEMBERED NEWNHAM IN MY WILL WITH:

a residuary gift of \_\_\_\_\_% of my estate       a pecuniary gift

The approximate value of this gift is £ \_\_\_\_\_ (optional)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

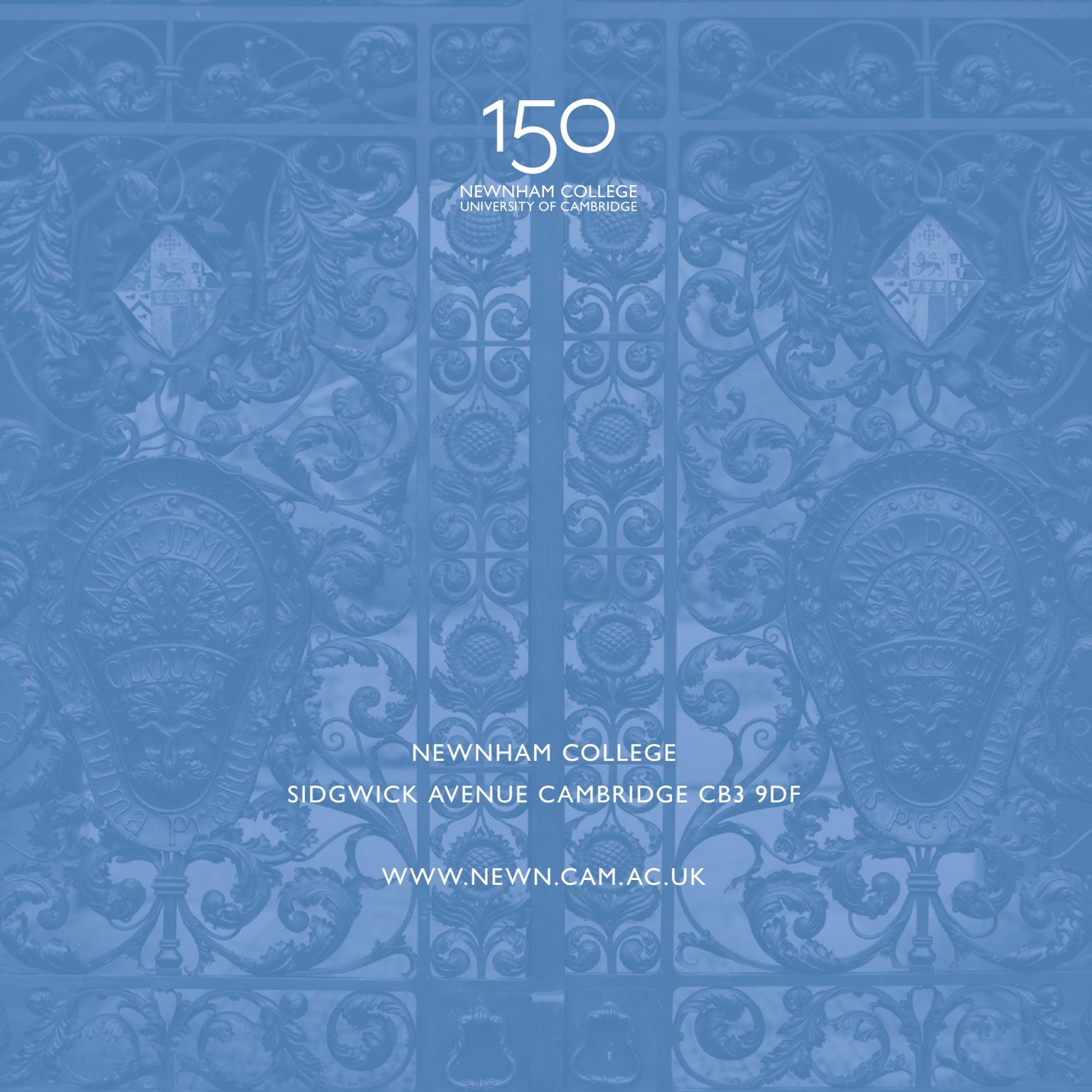
I would prefer to remain anonymous

I would like to discuss my plans, please get in touch using the above contact details

### PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO:

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