It is usually relatively inexpensive to make a will or amend it by adding a codicil. Most people prefer to do this with the help of a qualified solicitor, who will advise you of the charges involved. It is important that MGS knows how a donor would wish us to use a legacy gift. We therefore ask that the wording in a will, or in a codicil which can be added to an existing will, should make this clear in the following way:

If you are arranging a pecuniary bequest (the gift of a specific sum of money) the appropriate wording would be:

'I give the sum of …… pounds (£....) to The Manchester Grammar School (registered charity number 529909) for the benefit of the MGS Trust Bursary Fund, OR for the benefit of the Building Fund, OR to be assigned at the discretion of the Governors of MGS and I declare that the receipt of the High Master or other authorised officer for the time being shall be a complete discharge for my Executors and Trustees.'

As the value of a pecuniary bequest may be eroded over time by inflation, you may wish to consider a residuary bequest. This is a gift of all or part of the residue of your estate after other bequests have been made and any debts and expenses have been paid. This sort of bequest would protect the value of your gift as in normal circumstances the value would increase with the value of your estate.

The appropriate wording for a residuary bequest would be:

'I give ……per cent (...%) of the residue of my estate to The Manchester Grammar School (registered charity number 529909) for the benefit of the MGS Trust Bursary Fund, OR for the benefit of the Building Fund, OR to be assigned at the discretion of the Governors of MGS and I declare that the receipt of the High Master or other authorised officer for the time being shall be a complete discharge for my Executors and Trustees.'

A Specific Bequest

It may be that you would like to bequeath something other than money: property, a painting, piece of furniture, shareholding or an item of jewellery. The wording you should use for this would be similar to that for a pecuniary bequest but with a full description of the item or items.

Because of the charitable status of The Manchester Grammar School and The Manchester Grammar School Trust, all bequests to MGS are exempt from Inheritance Tax.
Letting us know your intentions
Supporting MGS in your will

It would help us to plan for the future if you felt able to tell us if you have made, or intend to make, a provision for MGS in your will. (Details of bequests are, of course, treated in strict confidence.) Old Mancunians and friends who wish to support MGS by leaving a gift to the School in their will are recognised as being members of our legacy group, The Langworthy Society. If you would not like to become a member and wish to remain anonymous please opt out by ticking the box below.

I have pledged, or intend to pledge, one of the following:

☐ a pecuniary bequest
☐ a residuary bequest
☐ a specific bequest

to benefit

☐ the Bursary Fund
☐ the Building Fund
☐ to be assigned at the Governors’ discretion

Estimated value ……………………………… (optional)

☐ I would not like to become a member of the Langworthy Society
☐ I would like more information. Please contact me to discuss matters further

Signed………………………………………… Date…………………………………………

Name ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Address …………………………………………………………………………………………………

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postcode …………………………….. Telephone ……………………………………………

Please return this pledge to the address below or contact Simon Jones, Director of Development, if you wish to enquire about any aspect of arranging a legacy.

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