

Wingfield Station

South Wingfield

The Grade II* listed Wingfield Station was built in 1836-1840 to the designs of Francis Thompson, as one of a series of structures built for the North Midland Railway to Thompson's designs. The building is one of the earliest surviving railway stations in the world, and is the sole survivor of Thompson's picturesque sequence of twenty-four stations between Derby and Leeds, widely regarded as his finest work.

The condition of the building has however deteriorated severely since its closure in the 1960s, resulting in Amber Valley Borough Council serving a Compulsory Purchase Order on the current owner, with grant support from Historic England. In support of the CPO procedure, Bench Architects were initially appointed by AVBC to prepare a Schedule of Repairs for inclusion in a Repairs Notice, and subsequently prepared a schedule of Urgent Works for inclusion in an Urgent Works Notice. This required extensive liaison with Network Rail in order to ascertain the restrictions and implications resulting from the building's location immediately adjacent to a live main line railway (now the Midland Mainline).

