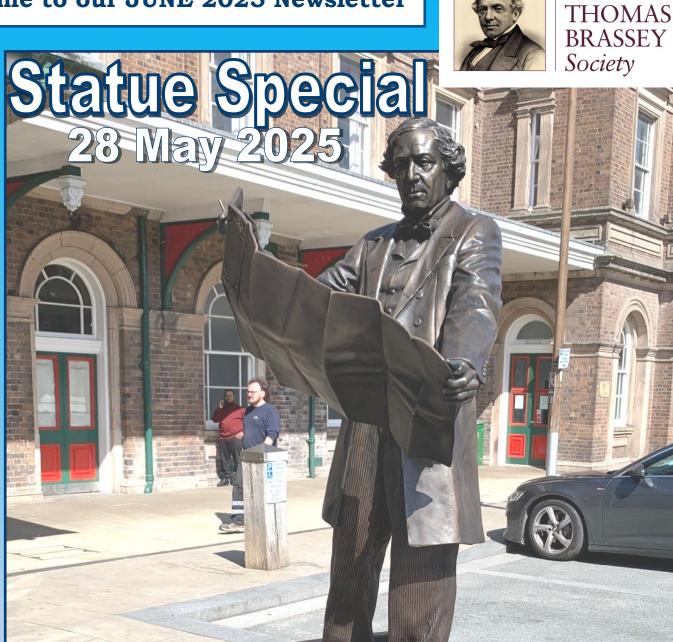
Welcome to our JUNE 2025 Newsletter



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Stephen Langtree MBE, Chair of the Thomas Brassey Society, said:

TIONAS BRASSEY 1805-1870 Engineer vota in Aldrord, Chester

"It has been a long term aim of the Society to erect a statue outside the magnificent
Chester Station – one which Thomas Brassey built – and through energetic
fundraising and the generous support of many benefactors, our dream of a statue
has now become a reality. We hope this results in many more people appreciating
his remarkable achievements".





Members and invited guests gathered in the Carriage Shed before the formal unveiling. With a model railway alongside displays from the Society as well as the Guides and the Institution of Civil Engineers there was plenty to look at.



The Duke of Gloucester shakes the hand of TTBS Chairman, Stephen Langtree, MBE in the Edward Room of the Queen Hotel, prior to the start of the formal unveiling ceremony, watched by Ian Walker and our sculptor, Andy Edwards.



The TTBS Secretary also received a royal handshake!









The Duke unveiled the statue, with the help of the local Girl Guides who are one of the first groups to be taking a Civil Engineering Guider's Badge.

The Duke then spoke to the assembled crowd, saying how pleased he was to be there and talked about Thomas Brassey and his remarkable achievements.

Richard Coackley CBE (TTBS Vice Chairman) then pointed out some of the details on the statue to The Duke of Gloucester and Chester's Lord Mayor.



Dame Rowena Feilden and Caroline Capel — Brassey descendants who have been very supportive of the statue project.

The Dean of Chester
Cathedral blessing the statue.

With thanks from all the Committee to those who have helped in making this day so special.

Peter & Gillian Bolt

1 June 2025



With thanks to Chester Heritage, Stuart Robinson Photography for some of the pictures.