Appeal: Modernising Leicester Secular Hall

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Leicester Secular Society has launched an appeal to raise funds for the modernisation of Leicester Secular Hall. Besides Conway Hall in London, the Secular Hall is the only remaining dedicated secular building in the country.

The Secular Hall — a Grade II listed building — was built in 1881 and boasts a proud history of radicalism. It is still in use today, although it is urgently in need of repair and modernisation.

The total needed for the first phase of the repair is £65,000. The Leicester Secular Society can contribute £25,000, which leaves £40,000 still to find.

Harry Perry, president of the Leicester Secular Society, says: "As you would expect from such an unglamorous scheme, and for an organisation of our type, we are going to struggle to get support from statutory or grant-giving charities. So we are going to have to rely on donations from sympathetic individuals."

You can send a cheque made payable to Leicester Secular Society, to Harry Perry at Leicester Secular Society, The Secular Hall, 75 Humberstone Gate, Leicester LE1 1WB. You can donate by credit/debit card here – where you will also find out more information about the planned upgrade.

Donated funds will be held in trust until spent on the planned project (or other modernisation, repair, improvement and equipment.

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