Grandchester Railway Station celebrates its 150th birthday on 31 July 2015. This date is the anniversary of the opening of the railway line from Ipswich to Grandchester in 1865. The blueprint below shows the layout of the Station as it developed after 1865.

A timber passenger Railway Station was constructed in 1865. Drawings from the station plans are below.

The first trains were pulled by steam engines such as this Kitson No. 26 locomotive at Grandchester Station in 1879. SLQ image no. 14378.

Grandchester was a busy place, as you can see from this photograph from around 1900. Today there are no trees on the northern side (above on the right hand side) of the tracks. SLQ image no. 147325.

Grandchester was originally known as Bigge’s Camp.

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