

Preston & District Model Railway Society

Committee Meeting Monday, 19th February 2018 at 8:00pm

Present: -

Les Nehrlich	Chairman
Andy Joel	Secretary
Carl Bowden	Bill Taylor
Dave Winder	John Wilson

Apologies were received from John Farnden

Matters Arising from the minutes of the last meeting:

- Barry still has a key. **Action: Les**
- The clothing order has been received and all items collected.
- The banner has now been to 4 exhibitions, and is getting a lot of attention.
- It was noted that the rubbish has now gone.
- The bridge at the bottom of the stairs will be done after the exhibition, as it might prevent access. **Action: JW.**

Minutes of Last Meeting:

- The minutes of the 15th January 2018 meeting were accepted as a true record.

Up-coming Events (Exhibition)

- It was noted that Barry's PC may have been revived. However, as a long term plan, Dave Pallant has said he can scan the plan into his system, which would allow exhibits to be moved around as required. This will be used for the 2019 exhibition and thereafter.
- It is still not clear if Jeremy will be able to borrow a van from BNFL to transport his layout. If not the hire van will need to make three trips.
- Mike has been made the second driver of the van as JF is not available.
- The bus has been cancelled due to concerns about replacement buses at the station and an issue with the bus. A coach has been hired for the "boozy-do" (£50 cheaper than last year).
- It was noted that the college have a new regime, requiring payment with 30 days of invoicing. This would be 4 days after the exhibition. Whilst we normal pay within that time frame, it was felt this gives insufficient window in case of problems.
- Envelopes for exhibitors all done.
- Food has been sorted; 3£ for main and pudding. There will be one vegetarian, and arrangements for him at the boozy-do have been made.
- The hall will be available from 2 pm on the Friday.
- Next Monday Les will tell people what he needs them to do for the exhibition.
- Bill to chase up Ian and Tony, and together go around members with regards to the second-hand stall. Karl and Dave Bird will assist on the stand.

- Ray will have electrical stuff assembled at the bottom of the stairs on Wednesday before the exhibition.
- Neville will get the float.
- Louise is getting several A3 plans printed.
- Harold will be marking up the halls. Squires and layout in far right corner are arriving early so need sorting first.
- Dave Pallet and Roger will be doing barriers.
- Steve Masterson will check electrical issues at the exhibition. He will be shown the trip panel on the Friday afternoon.
- Dave Winder will organise the signs. There was some concern about signage for people in the overflow car park, though there were some signs.

Boozy-do

- Dave Gerraty has sold 37 tickets to the boozy-do (plus 36 exhibitors on the bus). Les has increased the food order to 80.
- It was not clear who has the modelling trophies; we do have the exhibition trophies.
- Carl to sort the PA for the boozy-do. It was decided a PA for the exhibition was a bad idea, in part because the system is not good enough.
- Bill to do the quiz.

Any Other Business:

- A note from Ray was read, and acknowledged by the committee.
- Euxton Junction will be going to Kendal in 2020
- There will be an open day on 18th April

Meeting finished at 8:40 pm.

Next committee meeting date: Monday, 19th March at 8:00 pm