

## **Preston & District Model Railway Society**

Committee Meeting Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2016 at 8:00pm

### **Present:-**

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

Apologies: John Farnden

### **Matters Arising from the minutes of the last meeting:**

- John F and Andy have compiled a current membership based on e-mail addresses and payments made so far this year, but it was noted that this may not be exhaustive. **Action: John F to email Andy an up-to-date list of paid members. On-going**
- The option of buying a DC controller from Dave Pallant was discussed. **On-going**
- Les has talked to Barry about getting a plan of the exhibition hall for backup; this would happen after the exhibition. There was some concern about how easy the software was to use. **On-going**
- Ray has taken responsibility for erecting barriers. It was noted that this went more smoothly than previously. **Action: Les to see Ray to check nuts/captives, and to write on the barriers to use nuts if necessary. On-going**
- The potential buyer for Bee Lane has not been seen since the last meeting, so the layout is going back on the market. **Action: John W to talk to Neville about getting it mentioned in magazines. On-going**
- Most of the catenary has been purchased; it is anticipated the total expenditure will be about £260, a little below the £300 budgtd. **On-going**
- Of the three new approved members, David Thompson has not been seen since, so his membership is considered "pending".

### **Minutes of last meeting:**

- The minutes of the 25<sup>th</sup> April 2016 meeting were accepted as a true record.

### **Future Events (Exhibition):**

- Date for the open evening to be determined later, but prior to next meeting

### **Any Other Business:**

- The exhibition account is currently a personal account in Les and Neville's name. This will become a community account in the same names (both get card and cheque book, only one signature required). This will be from approximately the start of June, which will then be taken as the start of the exhibition year. The account will

be called "Preston and Dist MRS Exhibition", held at Nat West in Kirkham. This was approved by the committee.

- The engraver for the exhibition stand numbers should be fixed over the summer.
- Bachmann should be at the next exhibition, after communicating with Les. They chose Preston as our exhibition does not clash with other dates. They will be sited by Transport Models. Some rearrangement may be required.
- Thornton Controllers will not be attending due to intermittent illness.

Meeting finished at 8:30pm.

**Next committee meeting date:** Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> August at 8:00 pm