

Preston & District Model Railway Society

Committee Meeting Monday, 27th November 2017 at 8:00pm

Present: -

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

Matters Arising from the minutes of the last meeting:

- Progress been made on "Inglenook", with lots of members getting involved. Ballasting has started, bacjboards ready to fit, a Metcalf warehouse kit built. **On-going.**
- JF reported that itemised bills for electricity and water have yet to appear. **On-going.**
- The construction of a bridge across the bottom steps is to go ahead. **Action: JW**
- The photos of Tellum Summit look good; Mike Pye has written an article. Awaiting hornby.
- The modelling course is continuing, though down to only two.
- The updated rules were checked. It was noted that the footer needs updating. **Action: AKJ**
- Barry still has a key - he is sometimes first on a Wednesday.
- It was noted that the clothing order needs placing urgently to be in time for Christmas. **Action: DW.**
- It was noted that the chain the photographer had installed was not in place when Les opened up tonight, and BT observed it as not in place Saturday morning either. Text to be sent. **Action: AKJ.**

Minutes of Last Meeting:

- The minutes of the 4th September 2017 meeting were accepted as a true record, though it was noted that under "Upcoming Events", Meta-points were not attending because they were going to the O Gauge group, rather than being replaced by the O Gauge Group.

Up-coming Events (Exhibition)

- The college are no long able to offer one of the squash courts, which has necessitated a lot of moving around of layouts. Gee-whiz will not not be attending, Turton O Gauge Group have been reduced from 18' to 12, the "Elgin" layout has been dropped (which will save a fair bit on expenses) and Rayton moved to the main hall.
- It was noted that the cost to hire has not risen in several years, and the loss of space was not grounds to demand a reduction.
- Rayton to have one line that can be operated by children. **Action: JW.**

Up-coming Events (Christmas)

- The Christmas party will be on the 18th. Notices to be put up. **Action: AKJ.**
- Forty mince pies to be ordered. **Action: DW.**
- The club will be closed Christmas day and New Years day, both Mondays, but open other days across the holiday period.

Any Other Business:

- We have had a bill from the landlord for insurance, despite having already paid it!
- The club N gauge class 22 is not running, new motor required.
- The club 00 gauge class 47 that was donated and then chipped by the club has been taken by "John", son of the donator, and needs to be recovered.
- A banner has been ordered for £48, to be taken to exhibitions to publicise the club. Has space where exhibition dates can be written and later erased.

Meeting finished at 8:35pm.

Next committee meeting date: Monday, 15th January at 8:00 pm