

Preston & District Model Railway Society

Committee Meeting Monday, 16th July 2018 at 8:00pm

Present:

John Wilson	Chairman (acting)
Andy Joel	Secretary
John Farnden	Treasurer
Carl Bowden	Roger Hardacre
Dave Winder	Bill Taylor

Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting:

- The bridge at the bottom of the stairs has been done by Blackpool Dave. **Action: JW to give thanks at AGM.**
- Les still needs to be shown how to BCC; waiting for LES to bring his laptop in. **Action: AKJ.**
- The Mosside sign still needs resolving. Ian does not want it restored, but it may need treating to prevent further rotting. To be hung behind N gauge layout.
- JW had proposed buying a motor remagnetising machine for about £200; this has now been abandoned.

Minutes of last meeting:

- The minutes of the 14th May 2018 meeting were accepted as a true record.

AGM

- Will be on the 1st October
- Les will take JW to the social club to introduce him to the manager, in regards to holding the AGM there. It was noted that we have £50 outstanding.
- Carl to bring the PA
- Dave has more-or-less sorted the catering. Food to be ordered for 8:15.

General:

- JF said he would provide a list of current members from the latest statement. He noted that some names had disappeared since the February list.
- Twelve mugs have been sold and the proceeds, £60, given to the club. More are available to £5 each, perhaps to be sold at exhibition.
- The books in the office need sorting; the currently storage is inadequate.
- It was also noted that the magazines at the bottom of the stairs make the place look a mess. Les may know someone who will buy the bound copies.
- Steve Flint wants the Euxton Junction article for next week. It is on JW's laptop, but that has died. Bill's daughter will retype, then Carl edit. Aim to e-mail by Friday.
- We have had a demand from Water Plus, and a visit from debt collectors too! JF has been working to resolve this which is due to there being two accounts, and dates back about a decade. Water Plus have promised a £50 credit to the account. It was noted that we need something in writing from both Water Plus and the debtor collectors (Engage).

- JF mentioned that the landlord is still not itemising utility bills. This was supposed to have been resolved, and we are not paying until it is.
- It was noted that the website has “I am not a robot” feature that makes it impossible to access. **ACTION: Neville**
- It was noted that Les had asked that his name and Neville’s be removed from the lease when it is updated.
- Chris of Lancaster suggested swapping Tellum Summit and Rayton to make more room at the way in. As there is a plan to replace Tellum Summit, it was suggested that the swap be done then. It was noted that Rayton is well used on Wednesday afternoon.
- Bachmann have pulled out of next year’s exhibition, but Les has a replacement. Les has reported that everything else is fine with the exhibition.

Meeting finished at 8:45 pm.

Next committee meeting date: Monday, 6th August at 8:00 pm