

Preston & District Model Railway Society

Committee Meeting Monday, 10th August 2017 at 8:00pm

Present:-

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

Apologies for absence

Bill Taylor offered apologies for absence.

Matters Arising from the minutes of the last meeting:

- Limited progress been made on "Inglennook". **On-going.**
- Itemised bills for electricity and water are still not being received. **Action: JF to pursue.**
- It was considered worthwhile taking our own heater next year. **Action: LN**
- Further to the discussion last meeting Dave Geraty has said he will not be acting as greeter at further exhibitions, due to health concerns.
- Further to earlier discussions, Les said he may offer his layout to a museum run by the owner of Gresley Beat.
- It was noted that several members have subscriptions outstanding. Jason has not been seen recently. **Action: AKJ to e-mail to see if he is okay.** Also Steve, Luke and Andrew. **Action: JF to pursue.** It was suggested that persistently non-paying members should not be permitted entry.
- The floor by the entrance still requires attention, as it drops by about an inch when weight is applied, and is a tripping hazard. **Action: JF to see landlord about repair.**

Minutes of Last Meeting:

- The minutes of the 8th May 2017 meeting were accepted as a true record.

Up-coming Events (AGM)

- As usual, this will be the first Monday of October, the 2nd.
- Catering was discussed as the usual "hotpot man" has retired. **Action: LN to talk to Steve, Mike to take to "hotpot man" for suggestions.**
- Alan from G-Whizz will give a talk (and judge the modelling competition)

Up-coming Events (Exhibition)

- No response yet from three traders, including Bachmann and Liz (Transport Models is up for sale, but presumably the buyer would want the space).
- No response from the man who prints labels.

Up-coming Events (Modelling Courses)

- Depending on demand, three courses may be offered: scenics, weathering and trees.

Any Other Business:

- Les thanked John Wilson for taking over his role for the last few months, and also Neville for joining the committee during that time.
- It was agreed that Mike from Hornby would be invited to photograph Tellum Summit, as he is keen to photograph something! He will not be permitted to photograph Euxton Junction until it has appeared in Railway Modeller.

Meeting finished at 8:40pm.

Next committee meeting date: Monday, 21st August at 8:00 pm (JW as secretary)