

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

Committee Meeting Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 8:00pm

### **Present: -**

Les Nehrlich	Chairman
Andy Joel	Secretary
Carl Bowden	John Wilson
John Farnden	

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

- The catenary for the new layout is "practically complete". **Done**
- The junior layout has been put in the main room, with the space made from moving other layouts around
- Jeremy's layout has now been moved from the small room, and Karl "Biscuit" is using it to build a fiddle yard for his layout. Peter Sullivan has been given permission to store his layout there.
- The "Inglennook" to be built for Giles may be N gauge.
- The modelling competition was held on the 6<sup>th</sup>, with more entries than had been expected.

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

- The minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016 meeting were accepted as a true record.

### **Exhibition**

- The logistics for the van for the exhibition were discussed.
- Les is awaiting written confirmation of the catering arrangements, which have been provided by a contractor since 2016.
- It was reported that Mark is having issues with heating the hall, and it was noted that the treasurer's office was especially cold last year.
- Les will collect the float of £500. Once this has been recovered from ticket sales, this amount will be put aside for repayment.
- Les will distribute jobs on the preceeding Monday.
- Chris will help Eric on Les' layout.
- The hotel, evening do and coaches are all booked.

### **Any Other Business:**

- Carl made a claim for £100 for station lights and computer box for Euxtion Junction.

- It was agreed that an open evening not long after the exhibition was a good idea for recruiting new members. This was set for Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.
- Bills from the landlord have electricity and water combined. This was considered unacceptable, and it was agreed the bill would only be paid if these were itemised, with meter readings. **Action: JF**
- For the exhibition, JF and BT need to be signed up to drive the van, and Mike too if possible.
- For the 2018 exhibition we hope to have a coach from the station to the hall provided by Peter from Manchester, taking donations in a honesty box.

Meeting finished at 8:30pm.

**Next committee meeting date:** Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> March at 8:00 pm