

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Abingdon and District Model Railway Club held on Friday 03 June 2016, in the Lecture Room at 7:20pm

1. Those Present and Apologies

Present: Mike Ryder, Brian Denton, David Lloyd, Chris Maycock, Andrew McMillan and Eric Young. Peter Hunt also attended in capacity of Hon. Sec.-designate.

Apologies: Ricky Ashmore, Ted Carter, Martin Cussell, Andrew Skinner and Mike Taylor

2. Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 04 May 2016

The motion, to accept the Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 04 May 2016 as a true record, proposed by Chris Maycock and seconded by Andrew McMillan, was carried unanimously.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising that would not be discussed under the Agenda items below.

4. Buildings and Maintenance Work

Plans for the Hammer & Spades Day to be held on the following day (Sat. 04 June) were discussed.

Peter Hunt first reported that he had sprayed all the weeds on the site earlier that day. It was agreed that work should start at 10.00am the following morning and that the jobs that were to be tackled should be (in no particular order)

Clear gutters and downpipes.

Cut back foliage as necessary.

Paint the grills for the windows in Reception.

Treat sheds with preservative.

Paint bunker room doors (green).

Check and clean ramp and steps as necessary.

Check and clear as necessary the container.

The Secretary stated that he thought much of the contents of the small shed could be disposed of.

5. AGM preparation

Those prepared to stand again for the Committee, and replacements required, were identified. Following a suggestion from Eric Young, it was decided not to describe existing Committee members standing again as 'incumbent', on the election notice, as this tended deter other Club members from allowing their names to be nominated. (this measure had been introduced to provide a measure of continuity in the Club's management by indicating those

Committee members prepared to stand again without re-election)

2 The Agenda was discussed next and it was decided that Charitable Status should appear as a separate item. Andrew McMillan tabled a draft new constitution for the Club Ltd Co., based on the constitution of a choir in the Reading area with which he had contact. (see attached pdf file) This had all the components necessary for charitable status and, in the first instance, simply, needed to be adjusted to suit the Club.

It was agreed that Andrew McMillan should present, generally, the new constitution and the implications for the Club, if we were to adopt it, at the AGM, and following suitable discussion, a motion should be put to the members, empowering the Committee to further the application for charitable status.

6. AOB

None

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next Meeting will be held on Friday 22 July 2016 at 7.15pm.

8. Meeting Closed

The meeting closed at 7:59pm