

Abingdon and District Model Railway Club

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Friday 7th April 2017 in the Library @ 19.00

1. Those Present and Apologies

Present: Mike Ryder, Peter Hunt, A Skinner, Chris Maycock,

Apologies : Mike Taylor. David Lloyd, Eric Young.

2. **The Minutes** of the Committee Meeting held on 23rd February 2017 were accepted as a true record. Prop: Chris Maycock. 2nd Andrew Skinner.

3. Matters Arising

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The Exhibition was deemed as an overall success, there were a number of issues that could have been handled better.

A. There was no rota for jobs to be done on the Friday evening, This resulted in Traders and Exhibitors entering the hall before the floor plan had been completed.

B. There was distinct lack of publicity around the town prior to the show. While we had the use of the community shop in Abingdon centre it was agreed that this was not fully utilised.

C. The banner that should have been put up outside the leisure centre a week prior to the show was not in fact put up until the Friday evening.

C. People visiting the show complained that there was no directions to the car park, although there were members stewarding on the road leading to the car park.

D. It would be advantageous if more members stayed to help clear the hall at the end of the exhibition. Jobs could be rostered.

It was agreed that Chris M. and Mike T. had done a good job securing Layouts and Traders for the show there was no one co-ordinating the things that should have been done prior to the show and managing the hall on the day of the show. After much discussion Peter H. offered to take on this role in the future.

It was further agreed that an exhibition meeting should be organised as a priority within the next few weeks to plan the time scale and list the jobs that are required to be done for future exhibitions.

An e-mail will be sent out to all members notifying them of this meeting and its date: The 3rd May.

4. Charities application

The committee agreed that Peter H, Mike R, and Andrew S. should meet and make a decision on the next move re achieving Charitable status.

5. Lighting in the work areas.

No quotation had been received from the electrician that had been approached to install new lighting. It was agreed that a quotation should be sought from another source.

As part of the ongoing improvements It was decided that members should be requested to claim and clear the work benches so that this work can be carried out. It was agreed that anything not claimed by the end of May should be dealt with at the committees discretion.

6. Any Other Business

Dates were discussed and agreed for:

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| A. Exhibition Meeting | 3 rd May |
| B. Next committee meeting | 24 th May |
| C. Annual General Meeting | 9 th June |

There being no further business the meeting closed at 19.55

7. Date of Next Meeting – Friday 24th May @ 20.00.