



# BURTON UPON TRENT AND DISTRICT ENGINEERING SOCIETY

## 77<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**28<sup>th</sup> September 2023 - 19.00 hrs**

**Venue – Burton College**

### MINUTES OF MEETING

**Present:** Richard Farman – Chairman, Barry Gooding – Secretary, Martyn Ralph  
Ken Logue – President of the Society

There were 27 members of the Society present

**1 Apologies received from:**

Colin Walton, Steve Skeet, Martyn Ralph, Richard Hodgkins, Michael Page, David Phillips

**2 Minutes of previous AGM meeting held 22 September 2022**

The minutes of the 2022 AGM were proposed by Martyn Ralph, seconded by John Carlton, and accepted as a true record by all those attended the meeting

**3 Chairman's Report Year 22/23**

The chairman of the Society gave his annual report to members, is as follows:

Welcome to Members and Guests. You have the Programme Card for year 23/24 that Colin Walton has put together with 3 Joint Meetings with the IMechE.

Speakers are very difficult to find, and suggestions from members would be welcome.

Visits were made to: Lichfield Canal Project on site; Clayton Equipment Loco Building; The Shuttleworth Aircraft Display

Visits were not very well attended by members of the society; do we still need visits? A show of hands from members indicated that visits are wanted.

Some visits planned are to: Stone Centre at Wirksworth; Eaton Copper mines; Burton College Workshops at Swadlincote. Our President is arranging a visit to the Space Centre in Leicester

Martyn Ralph gave an interesting talk on an Ethiopian Brewery he was involved with

Thanks go to Society member Clive Baker who maintains our website

The Society is still looking for a Treasurer

#### **4 Treasurer's report Year 2022/23 and Statement of Accounts**

The Statement of Accounts Year to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023, issued to members prior to the meeting, were proposed by Phil Irwin and seconded by Ken Louge, and accepted by members on mass.

Until the Society has a treasurer, Colin Walton is maintaining the bank account and Barry Gooding is doing the administration.

#### **5 2023 Members Subscriptions**

The committee had agreed to maintain the annual subscription at £20 pa for another year

#### **6 Programme 2023/24**

The 2023/24 Year Programme cards are available

A full programme of lectures and events are listed with only meeting April 25<sup>th</sup> 2024 not conformed.

The next event is our annual social evening to be held at Marston Club on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

For are available to complete by members wishing to attend

#### **7 Election of Officers and Committee Members of the Society year 2023/24**

The Chairman thanked the present members and officers of the Society for their help in running the Society during the year.

The Chairman confirmed that the existing committee members and officers of the Society were willing to stand again. The society has had a vacancy for Treasurer for a year now.

The Chairman invited members present to indicate if they wished to be considered for membership of the committee.

The following committee members were proposed by Phil Irwin and seconded by Terry Booth to the Society:

Chairman – R E Farman

Secretary – B A Gooding

Treasurer – Vacancy

Programme Secretary – C Walton

Committee Members – Martyn Ralph

#### **8 Appointment of Examiner of accounts**

Mr D Clarke will be contacted to confirm to be Examiner of the Societies Accounts

#### **9 In Memoriam**

Members were informed of the deaths during the year of Chris Sawyer, Pete Edwards and Jim Ward; and a minute silence enacted

#### **10 AOB**

Members welcomed the refurbishment of the college lecture theatre; its new seating arrangements and its very large tv screen.