

BURTON UPON TRENT AND DISTRICT ENGINEERING SOCIETY

COMMITTEE MEETING: 11th April 2022 19.00hrs

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present: Richard Farman – Chairman, Barry Gooding - Secretary, Steve Skeet – Treasurer, Colin Walton – Programme Secretary, Martyn Ralph

Representatives of the I Mech E did not attend

Apologies received from:

Ken Logue – President; Phil Brocklehurst - I MechE

Minutes previous meeting held 18th January 2022 2021 and actions arising

Accepted as a true record. Actions as per Agenda items

Correspondence

Email received from Ian Stone of Lichfield Waterworks Trust stating that he has updated the Trust website and included a link to the Burton Engineering Society Website and asked that we include the Lichfield Waterworks Trust link on our website. This has been completed

Lisa Young, of Burton College, has contacted Richard and Colin and confirmed the college term dates for year 22/23

Treasurer's report

Members are requested to inform the secretary of any changes to their contact details

To date 39 members have renewed their membership of the Society, including 2 new members.

The membership list will be reviewed at the next committee meeting.

HSBC bank account – the transfer of moving to telephone banking is complete and Debit Card included. The Treasurer reported that HSBC are charging a fee of £5/month plus a fee for transaction charges. After discussion it was agreed that the society would progress to moving the account to another bank whose charges are less than HSBC charges or even none at all, Steve is to progress.

Programme 2021/22

28 April 2022 – Trent Valley Railway History Project – Robin Mathews, Dave Barrett

26 May 2022 – The history of Salts brewery and development of the Tower Brewery – John Mills. The venue will be the Tower Brewery. (Prior visit 4pm 22nd April)

Programme 2022/23

22nd September – AGM and talk by Alan King “King Coal & the South Staffordshire Coalfield”

20th October – Lichfield and Hatherton Canals Trust

1st December –

26th January 2023 –

16th February –

23rd March –

27th April –

25th May –

Topics for meetings:

Mill Meece Pumping Station – Phil Brockelhurst

Leicester Heavy Haulage – Richard

JCB – Richard

Morris Minor Restoration – Sheila Bott's son

Hunslet Locos – Dereck Webb

Oil wells in Staffordshire

Derbyshire Industrial Archaeological Society

Statfold Barn Farm – talk/visit. Open days are: March 15/16th; June 11/12th; September 11/12th

Social and visits

The 2022 President outing will be to the Space Centre at Leicester in July. Richard progressing

Visit to Etruria – Friday 9th September 16.00 hrs. Bernard Lovatt – buffet and entry £20

Clayton Equipment visit Tuesday 24th and Thursday 26th, groups of 10. Contact Clive Hannaford

Visit to Bob's Engine Club (Everitt) at the Central Midlands Vintage Stationary Engine Society (07794 877194). Tractor Rally 10.00 Easter Sunday, Woodside Farm, Orton Lane, Twycross. CV9 3HA

Social Evening – Wednesday 23rd November. "Ride on a Tram" – Gerald Wright. Marston Club to confirm.

Any Other Business:

The committee wishes to remind members that all meetings will take place at the University Centre Burton College, Lichfield Street, Top floor Lecture Theatre – a lift is available for members use. Members need to be aware that there is NO car parking available in any of the college car parks. The public car park nearest to the college is in Fleet Street.

The login details for the It network is: **Username – engineering.society; Password – Thursday123**

Society Programme Cards. Richard had located cards from 1950 to the present day. One card was missing, year 2011-2012, but has now been found. The programme cards are being scanned-in and available to view on the Society web site and some are available now

A discussion took place over locations and names of other engineering societies and clubs in the area with a view to sharing ideas with a view to perhaps having close ties with some of them. Richard is to produce a list of organisations for committee members to contact. Links set up with Lichfield Waterworks Trust and Claymills Trust

The Engineering Society Website is run by Clive Baker with regular updates to keep it current. Thanks to Clive for his excellent work, www.burton-eng.co.uk, email: enquiries@burton-eng.co.uk.

The committee is sad to report the death of Mike Briers at the beginning of March and his wife Brenda on 5 April 2022. Brenda's funeral will held be on 25th April at the Crem. Mike was a very long-standing supporter and member of the Society. He was prior to retirement, Chief Engineer at Delaney Galley (Lindustries Group) of Derby Street, previously Robert Morton and now Briggs. Aggre to a donation of £30 to the Salvation Army

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm. Date, time of next meeting: **TBA in May**