

THE LEEDS ASSOCIATION OF ENGINEERS  
Minutes of the Council Meeting held at 7.15pm on Thursday 5th February 2015 at the  
Cornerhouse Club Leeds.

1. **Attendance.** A. Kibler (President) in the chair with, B. Yates, I. Scholes, M. Murray, A. Rogers, J. Aldersley, J. Bentley and I. Blakeley.
2. **Apologies for absence.** G. Toulson, J. Shergill, K. Hegarty, and J. McClarty.
3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**, dated 8<sup>th</sup> January 2015 were, approved & signed.
4. **Matters Arising.** None.
5. **Treasurers Report.** Mr. Bentley made the following report.

Bank statement 25 Jan 2015.  
Current Account  
Debits Credits  
£3.75 2 1/2 % Consolidated stock  
£180 Subscriptions

Cheques written but not on above balance,  
29 Jan £412.50 and 2 Feb £33.00 to Leeds City College for ladies evening. £33 is to make up to 27 attendees as we were only charged for 25.  
Cash receipts £337.50 from Ladies Evening = £108 subsidy at £4 each.

There is also a letter from Computershare saying that the 3 1/2% war stock would be closed and the full value of £2160.53 refunded into the current account. This was a good earner for the Association of about £150 per year.

Mr. Bentley concluded his report by saying the last years accounts are now complete in readiness for auditing prior to the A.G.M. He will speak to Graham Mallinson (auditor) to see if he is prepared to audit the accounts this year. Graham said last year that he thought it might be his last audit. We discussed the difficulty of getting insurance cover for the golf trophies. Mr. Bentley has spoken to Steve Stacey and voiced the idea of presenting a replica trophy for the winner of the tournament to keep for the year, he said he thought this would be quite acceptable. This would then mean a member of council could keep the original trophy (Rose Bowl) at their house and insure it on their house insurance.

6. **Church / Commemorative Plaque.** This is now going ahead we need to place the order having decided the price is acceptable. Mr. Kibler has been in contact with the new Canon of Leeds Parish Church by email requesting confirmation for the annual church service but has not received a reply.
7. **Correspondence.** Mr. Murray said he received an email from the catering college we attended for the ladies evening. They were asking for our comments on the evening and if we have any photographs / video they can have for their website. We agreed to send them whatever pictures we have.
8. **Membership.** Nothing to report, other than we agreed not to ask for an increase in subscriptions at the A.G.M.
9. **Current Programme.** We were all in agreement that the ladies evening at the catering college was the most enjoyable ladies evening in recent years. Mr. Kibler said we should give a big thank you to Mr. Murray for all the effort he put into making it happen. Mr. Kibler has sent a report on the evening to Mr. Toulson to put on our website. Mr. Scholes said he and his wife have been to the college for breakfast in the restaurant since the ladies evening and he got chatting with the manager. He was told that they might be able to offer

us room hire for our lectures. Mr. Yates said he is still having difficulty in getting people to attend the proposed visit to JCB and in fact it might not happen.

10. **Next Session.** Mr. Yates said he has potentially 12 visits / lectures but of course these are subject to confirmation.
11. **Website.** Nothing to report.
12. **Journal.** Nothing to report.
13. **Golf.** No change from last month.
14. **Annual Dinner.** Mr Rogers said he is hoping to get the Funeral Director who does humorous talks to speak at the annual dinner. Mr Rogers has confirmed the Lord Mayor of Leeds will attend the dinner but he needs to send out letters to other honorary guests. He has been trying to contact the Headingley Golf club to confirm the menu which he needs to copy to Mr. Murray by the end of February (to allow Mr. Murray to publish on the next flyer which will request people to choose their menu when they apply for tickets to the dinner). We decided the Irish Whiskey bought as a prize for the quiz after the Nu- Swift visit (fire extinguishers) could be used as a raffle prize at the dinner.
15. **Move of Council Meeting Venue.** We decided that we will continue to have our council meetings at the Corner House Club until the end of this session. Then we will consider alternative venues.

**Any other Business.** Having no other business Mr. Kibler closed the meeting.

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