THE LEEDS ASSOCIATION OF ENGINEERS

Minutes of the Council Meeting held at 7.15pm on Thursday 4th January 2018 at the Cornerhouse Club Leeds.

1. **Attendance.** J. Aldersley - President in the chair with J. Bentley, A. Rogers, J. Shergill, M. Murray, S, Stacey, I. Scholes & H. Kingswell.

2. **Apologies for absence**. B. Yates, K. Hegarty, R. Town, G. Toulson, I. Blakeley & A. Kibler.

3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting,** dated 7th December 2017 were approved & signed.

4. **Matters Arising.** Mr. Aldersley mentioned that it was Mr. Bentley that had a connection with 'Brighouse Model Engineering' with regard to the current programme. Mr. Aldersley had recalled since the last meeting that our new member Clive Randall might work at George Barker at Idle in Bradford and possibly not at Wharfedale Speakers, which were on the same site.

5. **Treasurers Report.** The Treasurer was not in attendance but he had forwarded the following transaction detail from the last month to Messrs. Aldersley and Blakeley:-

   Credits
   Subscriptions from Mr. Murray – Membership Secretary £110.00
   Subscription from Mr. Aldersley £15.00

   Debits
   Session Room Hire for the Cleckheaton Meeting Room £54.00

   Mr. Murray advised that he had a further £75.00 of subscriptions in hand.

   The balance for both the current account and the savings account were given at the council meeting but are not published due to minutes appearing on the internet.

6. **Correspondence.** Mr. Aldersley had been in touch with John Pankhurst of the Keighley Association of Engineers to inform him of the date of our dinner and also to advise him of our Golf Tournament. He had not heard anything back to date. Mr. Murray said he would also be in touch with them. Mr. Aldersley had contacted Peter Beaumont to ask him to attend and also whether he played golf.

7. **Membership.** Nothing to note that has not been mentioned earlier.

8. **Current Programme.** Mr. Murray is waiting to hear from Wendy Wools for the Ladies evening. Without this visit or lecture we may well not have an event slated. Mr. Scholes is going to contact the Leeds Minster to ask if they would entertain a look around the church perhaps to be followed by a social event afterwards. Mr. Shergill advised that the lecture by a representative from Kennametal scheduled for 29th March is confirmed and further details will follow.

9. **Next Session.** Mr. Aldersley asked if we could contact the Keighley Association of Engineers to see if they had any contacts for future events. Kone Lifts in Keighley was mentioned. Mr. Murray proposed a joint visit and suggested such as Ginetta,

Airedale, Pennine Weavers (a Keighley company) along with a company in Whitehall Road, Leeds, possibly a printers.

10. **Student Award Scheme.** Mr. Aldersley has been in touch with Appris and found that Dean Coleman-Walker had been in hospital over Christmas but is now back at work. Dean suggested that June would be a better time for them to arrange the selection and presentation of awards. Mr. Aldersley suggested that presentation could perhaps be made either at Appris or perhaps at the Golf Dinner. This will be discussed later. Mr. Stacey said that he would ask Gerry Allen to see if he can persuade Mitchell Fox Ltd. to help with a voucher.

11. **Website.** Nothing to report.

12. **Golf.** Mr. Stacey advised that he had confirmed the booking for the Golf Tournament and that he would contact Gerry Allen to see if any of his former business contacts would like to attend independently of Mitchell Fox. Mr. Aldersley noted that the reduction in numbers may be the trend for such events and is no reflection of Mr. Stacey's efforts and that sponsorship by Braimes and contributions such as those by Chris Burgess are all very welcome. Mr. Aldersley asked council if they could all try to promote the golf event if possible.

13. **Annual Dinner.** In the absence of the Dinner Secretary there was some discussion about the format and music was mentioned. Mr. Aldersley said it is not possible to please everyone as we all have our own preferences in music. There will be further discussion at future meetings.

Any other Business. Having no other business Mr. Aldersley closed the meeting.

…….President. …….. Date