

THE LEEDS ASSOCIATION OF ENGINEERS

Minutes of the Council Meeting held at 7.00 pm on Thursday 3rd November 2022 at The Corner House Club Leeds LS17 6QE

1. **Attendance.** R. Town in the chair with, A. Kibler, M. Murray, G. Roper, I. Scholes, A. Rogers, G. Toulson, J. Bentley, S. Stacey and H. Soutar. (Student Award Winner)
2. **Apologies for absence.** J. Aldersley, J. Burton, B. Yates and I. Blakeley.
3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting.** Dated 6th October 2022 were approved and signed.
4. **Matters Arising.** Mr. Murray advised that member Mr. Bill Jagger had agreed to review the forthcoming accounts. Mr. Kibler had also been in touch with Mr. Jagger and will arrange for the accounts to be sent to him, although he said that there is ample time before they are due to be presented at the AGM in April.
5. **Treasurers Report.** Mr. Kibler gave a summary of the accounts including the balances in both the current account and savings account. However, they are not published here because the minutes appear on the website.

Date	Item	Debit	Credit
5/Oct/22	Council meetings - Corner House Club	£120.00	0.00
5/Oct/22	Barrie Yates - Vernier	£104.16	0.00
13/Oct/22	Methodist Church Room Hire	£30.00	0.00
31/Oct/22	Barrie Yates - Shield Engraving	£12.60	0.00

Mr. Kibler advised that the accounts for the year ending 31st October 2022 are complete. He also confirmed that member Mr. Chris Stocks had paid his subscriptions.

6. **Correspondence.** Mr. Murray had sent an email to Flexitallic UK Ltd. to investigate the possibility of a visit but had not as yet received a response. Mr. Roper had been corresponding with Dr. Ian Greaves. (See Current Programme).
7. **Membership.** Mr. Murray reported that there had been no changes to membership. He confirmed that Mr. Harry Soutar is now a full member of the association and council. Mr. Murray said he intends to email members to determine if their standing orders will be paid. This will reduce postage and extra correspondence. Mr. Kibler reported that the association had overspent in the last year in the sum of approximately £700.00 when reviewing credits and debits. He asked if we should consider increasing subscriptions to £20.00 or to leave it for this year, using funds to subsidise the loss. There was a discussion around the table and several extraordinary items such as sponsorships were mentioned. Mr. Town added that any subscription changes should be put to the members and Mr. Toulson said this proposal should be on the agenda at the AGM next April.
8. **Current Programme.** Mr. Roper reported that he had been in touch with Dr. Ian Greaves about the possibility of a lecture on Nuclear topics. Dr. Greaves had agreed to offer a talk but so far was non-committal on a suitable date. Mr. Murray asked which dates were still to be allocated events. Mr. Toulson advised that several events were booked for the session but we still need to fill January and February 2023. Mr. Toulson asked Mr. Roper if he could book Dr. Greaves for one of these empty slots. Mr. Kibler had asked member Mr. Neil Cobbold if he could arrange a visit to Sherburn Airfield, noting that this would probably need to be over a weekend. Due to a poor weather forecast Messrs. Rogers and Toulson did not go along to see the Rocket Bike record attempt at Elvington. Mr. Town heard that the bike did one run but the second run was aborted. He offered to contact the bike rider Graham Sykes to see if he could offer another talk, perhaps on a different subject.
9. **Next Session.** Nothing to report.

