

THE LEEDS ASSOCIATION OF ENGINEERS
Minutes of the Council Meeting held at 7.30 pm on Thursday 1st May 2025 at The
Corner House Club, Leeds.

1. **Attendance.** J. Aldersley in the chair with I. Auty, J. Bentley, A. Kibler, M. Golubevs, S. Wilkinson, G. Roper, C. Pinder, A. Rogers & S. Stacey.
2. **Apologies for absence.** J. Burton, I. Blakeley, I. Scholes, R. Town, G. Toulson, M. Murray.
3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting,** dated 3rd April 2025 were approved but not signed.
4. **Matters Arising.** There were no matter arising.
5. **Treasurers Report.** Mr. Kibler provided the following transaction details.

Date	Transaction	Debit	Credit	Balance
07/Apr/25	Subs. S. Gledhill – Paid by L. Murray	-	20.00	541.53
08/Apr/25	New Web Cost	3.83	-	537.70
22/Apr/25	Journal Cost	201.00	-	336.70
29/Apr/25	Bank Charges	8.60	-	328.10

Balance of Accounts was reported but not published here.

6. **Correspondence.** Mr. Aldersley read out a reply from 'Jody Ogden' at Millers Oils offering a daytime visit, Monday to Wednesday, during the day. This was discussed by council and agreed to be arranged at a later date. Further discussion was on potential involvement and support in talks, links to the University of Leeds and other events, all positive. Member Steve Gledhill had been emailed by Mr. Aldersley but so far there had been no reply. Mr. Roper suggested we ring him or arrange to see him during the summer recess. Mr. Aldersley had contacted Bradford University with regards to a visit, talk and involvement with them, but so far there had been no reply. Mr. Pinder said he, Mr. Auty and Mr. Golubevs had been to 'Reliance Gears' and believed a visit would be on the cards.
7. **Membership.** Mr. Murray had emailed Mr. Aldersley saying he didn't want lifetime membership and suggested that Barrie Yates should be given it, which raised the question of Barrie resigning. Mr. Roper said Barrie had resigned. Mr. Aldersley had thanked Mr. Yates for all his efforts via an email. Mr. Aldersley had also thanked Ian Scholes for all his work as well. Mr. Bentley said that 'students' are up to 25 years old in the Rule Book and fees may need a re-think. Sam Wilkinson is to become a full member, from being a corporate member. Mr. Wilkinson spoke to the council with details from his CV and advised that he was the 'Technical Manager' at WDS Components Ltd.
8. **Proposed New Student of the Year Award.** Mr. Soutar had sent a proposal for the LAE to sponsor a new project (£300). He is trying to start at the University of Leeds to build a vehicle to go to Mars to collect samples. We looked at 'LinkedIn' for information that Mr. Soutar had posted. After discussion Mr. Kibler said there was no money for such projects. Mr. Aldersley thought money saved from not subsidising events could be used. The conclusion was that we needed more information and then we could approach others. Mr. Pinder thought he could ask 'MPM' director Ben Wilson. Mr. Aldersley suggested Millers Oils, and Mr. Roper suggested Mandate Systems (Steve Gledhill). It was a positive response but more information is needed.
9. **Current Programme.** The current programme is on track.
10. **Next Session.** The next session is looking good. Early session events have been confirmed with Sulzer, MPM and CMB at Wortley, with other events yet to be confirmed.

- 11. **Website.** The website is in order. Mr. Toulson is to update the council photographs page when photographs have been provided. New and replacement photographs are welcome.
- 12. **Golf.** Mr. Stacey said all was good with arrangements with excellent sponsorship from M.A. Ford and Alan Braime. He will send out invitations to council members for the meal and presentations later.
- 13. **Annual Dinner.** Mr. Kibler said there was nothing to report.
- 14. **Annual Church Service.** Mr. Aldersley asked if any council member would like to join him at the service. Canon Paul had been emailed for details of the reading but no reply as yet.
- 15. **Journal.** Mr. Aldersley thanked Mr. Bentley for producing an excellent journal.

Any other Business. Mr. Aldersley asked Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Pinder, Mr. Auty and Mr. Golubevs to look into advertising the association using social media with 'Linkedin'. Mr. Aldersley thanked all for their hard work and wished them well and said he would keep in touch.

.....President..... Date