



# Linlithgow & Bo'ness Probus Club

Minutes of the Meeting held in Linlithgow Rose Social Club  
at 10:30 am on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2023

**WELCOME:** President Neil Edwards welcomed a good turnout of members plus guests from Linlithgow, Blackburn and Germany.

**APOLOGIES:** Chris Collen, Charlie Colton, Julie Lawrie, Helen Murray, Phil Bullen, Jim Wilson, Eric Moffatt and Donald McDonald.

**ALMONERS REPORT:** Members send their good wishes to Alistair Calder and his wife.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS:** £20 is now due for 2023-24 and should be paid to the Treasurer.

**BADGES:** Engraved badge bars, "Past President" pin badges and gold "P" pin badges had been obtained by John Aitken. All past presidents will receive a "Past President" badge. The "P" pin badges are now available to members, from the Treasurer, at the bargain price of £5 each.

**ANNUAL OUTING:** The outing to SRPS at Bo'ness will take place on **Tuesday** May 16<sup>th</sup>, starting at 10:00 with tea/coffee, a guided museum tour, a visit to the engine shed, lunch (paid separately) and a train-ride, ending at around 3:30pm. The cost is £20 per person, which can be paid in advance or on the day. 22 members present indicated that they would attend and a provisional number of 25 was agreed, subject to asking all members by email.

**AMUSEMENT:** Dale Mcpherson illustrated the art of compromise with an entertaining tale about the fulfillment of a farmer's difficult bequest.

**SPEAKER:** Drew McAdam astonished everyone with a skilled and entertaining demonstration of memory and mind control, complimented by a Uri Geller-style spoon bending demonstration.

**VOTE OF THANKS:** Bruce Jamieson gave a vote of thanks, which was well supported by all present in the usual manner, and the President gave Drew a bottle of malt as a token of our appreciation.

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday 3 May at 10 for 10:30 – Maurice McIlwrick will talk about the Secret Tunnels of Edinburgh (originally planned for 11<sup>th</sup> January).

John Aitken  
for Chris Collen, Secretary  
20 April 2023.