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Minutes of Meeting held on: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 at Linlithgow Rose Club

WELCOME: President Neil Edwards welcomed all the members and visitor Ian Service.

#### APOLOGIES:

Margot Watson; Wileen McGregor; Bruce Jamieson; John Aitken; Lynn Aitken; Jean Osborne; Ross Jarvie; Jim Kelly; Alan Bennie; Julie Laurie

#### ALMONERS REPORT

No Report

#### MATTERS ARISING

We now had 24 out of the 25 places at the outing at SRPS in Bo'ness confirmed. Anyone who has not yet paid can pay Mick on the day.

Note the outing is 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. Members will meet in the car park at Bo'ness Station, Union Street, Bo'ness, EH51 9AQ

#### AOCB

It was discovered when setting up the projector for the talk that the bulb had blown and there was no spare. Attempts were made to connect to the screens in the bar but we didn't have the correct plugs. It was proposed that we should invest in at least one spare bulb, although the suggestion was made that if prices were indeed very low it might be worth getting a complete new projector.

It had also been identified that we had no insurance cover for either the projector or the sound system and it was agreed that the committee should look into obtaining cover.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER

David Elliot introduced the speaker, Maurice McIlwrick who managed to overcome major technical difficulties while speaking about three of the little known tunnels under Edinburgh – a water tunnel running from Grassmarket under the Mound to Hannover Street, providing water to the New Town; the Innocent Railway through ~~Queens~~ Kings Park; and the Scotland Street Tunnel running from Waverley Station. At the end the number of questions showed how his talk caught the imagination.

### VOTE OF THANKS

A vote of thanks was given by Bert Lawson who congratulated Maurice on persisting despite only having his laptop to show pictures and was supported by the members in the usual manner.

### NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on TUESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> May at SRPS in Bo'ness at 10.00am. There would then be a break for the summer, with the next normal meeting taking place in the Rose Club at 10.00am on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Chris Collen  
Secretary  
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