



Linlithgow & Bo'ness Probuss Club

Minutes of Meeting held on: 8th January 2025 at Linlithgow Rose Club

WELCOME: In the absence of President Neil Edwards, David Elliot welcomed members and guests Isobel Elliot and Allan MacLeod.

APOLOGIES: Neil Edwards (President), George Bird (Vice President), Chris Collen (Secretary), Lyn Aitken, Helen Currie, Ross Jarvie, Jim and Dora Kelly, Tony McKerron, Stuart Smith, Pete and Janice Tidswell and George Wilson.

MINUTES: Adopted without any changes.

ARISING: The Probuss entry in the Festival of Christmas Trees at St Michaels Parish Church had been well received. Thanks to those who helped. The Christmas lunch at Linlithgow Golf Club had been a success but it was agreed that we need to make plans for the 2025 event in good time. The programme for 2025-26 will be agreed soon, and members are encouraged to give ideas to members of the events committee: David Elliot, Jim Hannan, Bert Lawson, Stuart Smith and Garry Withnell.

ALMONERS REPORTS: Nothing reported.

SPEAKER: Bert Lawson introduced Kathryn Welsh, who gave an interesting and well illustrated talk about the women who had worked as "Munitionettes" at the Regent Works and elsewhere in UK throughout two world wars. An explosion in 1943 had killed four of the Linlithgow workers and it was hoped to recognise their contribution during remembrance events this year and possibly to construct a permanent memorial at Regent Square.

VOTE of THANKS: A vote of thanks was given by David Elliot, supported by members in the usual manner.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held at 10:00 for 10:30 on 22nd January, when Claire Withnell and friends will present a tribute to Robert Burns.

John Aitken, pp Chris Collen, Secretary
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