



# West Somerset Railway Association

## Synopsis of the Board Meeting held on 13 November 2017

### 1. Sale of Vehicles

We have now disposed of both Southern Vans, BG 80972 and FO3131. As previously agreed the proceeds will all go to the Locomotive Restoration Fund.

### 2. Future of Promotions

Simon Stretton and Paul Whitehouse had had a constructive discussion with Alan Nicholson, Frank Courtney and Richard Maw from the Plc to hear their proposals on the future of Promotions. There would be a further meeting on 15 November.

### 3. Hinkley Point Community Fund

Andy Norman's team (Mike Sherwood and Ben Grellier, the Plc's director with responsibility for volunteers) will meet on Tuesday 14 November.

### 4. Land Stewardship

We agreed to commission Greenslade Taylor Hunt to draw up a tenancy agreement so that we have a proper arrangement for the use and management of our land at Norton Fitzwarren.

### 5. Board Membership

Mike Lea, Senior Partner at the Bristol office of Smith & Williamson, the accountancy, investment management and tax group was still committed to becoming a Trustee but awaited confirmation from his firm's compliance team.

### 6. Subscriptions

We considered the responses to our consultation and agreed that subscriptions should be set as follows from 1 January 2018:

Adult	£25
Two Adults	£38
Family	£46
Student*	£10
Senior Citizen	£21
Two Senior Citizens	£32
Working Volunteer*	£15
Student Working Volunteer*	£5

\*Student subscriptions (up to age 23 in full time education) are unchanged.

Students and working volunteers will receive an electronic copy of *The Journal*.

### 7. HRA Seminar Birmingham 8 November 2017

We agreed that both Boards (the Plc and the Association) would benefit from jointly hearing the presentation by Roger Kelly (outgoing Fundraising Director of the BlueBell) which had been made at this seminar.

## **8. Future of Norton Site**

We agreed to join a joint working group including the Association, the Plc and the Steam Trust to discuss the best way to maximise the value of this site to the whole railway.

## **9. AGM 2018**

This will be on Saturday 7 July at Bishops Lydeard Village Hall.