

“ONTRACK”

WALTON-ON-NAZE, FRINTON-ON-SEA, KIRBY X & THORPE-LE-SOKEN RAIL USERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF AGM 12/06/2010

Held at Frinton Methodist Church Hall

1. Introduction and Welcome:

- The meeting was opened at 10.30 by the Chairman, John Smock. However, as he had been indisposed, he handed over the chair to the Vice Chair, Tony Bedford.

2. Minutes of the 2009 AGM:

- These were read and adopted unanimously.

3. Matters arising:

- **Frinton Gates:** It was confirmed that lowering the barriers was now better coordinated with the operation of the trains.

4. Annual Report of the Association's Activities: The Annual Report for 2009-10, which was handed out at the meeting, was reviewed.

5. Treasurer's Report:

- The Treasurer's Report showed a deficit of £77.00, which included payment for the new website, leaving a balance of £425.59.

A motion to accept these three reports was proposed by Dave Bolton, seconded by David Foster and unanimously approved.

6. Membership Secretary's Report:

- The need to recruit new members was discussed and it was suggested that publicity could be gained from Tending Matters and the Frinton, Walton and local villages magazine.

7. Election of Officers:

- The existing officers, John Smock, Tony Bedford, Tony Baxter, Dave Bolton, David Payne and Ray Gilmour stood down, but offered themselves for re-election.
- The existing officers, namely John Smock as Chairman, Tony Bedford as Vice-Chairman, Tony Baxter as Acting Secretary, Dave Bolton as Assistant Secretary, David Payne as Treasurer/Assistant Membership Secretary, and Ray Gilmour as Membership Secretary/Assistant Treasurer, were proposed for re-election by David Foster, seconded by Dave Bolton.
- With no other nominations, the above appointments were accepted unanimously.

8. NXEA Developments and Issues

A number of potential timetable improvements were discussed which it was felt should be sought:

- A connection from Walton-on-the-Naze into the 05.20 departure from Clacton and even earlier services from both stations.
- A general increase in frequency to half-hourly.
- Following the trial Sunday service between Walton-on-the-Naze and Colchester Town over the previous Christmas period, it was considered that these services should become a permanent feature in the timetable.

9. Any Questions

- David Payne enquired whether CCTV covered all areas of the railway. It was noted that most were covered but that no recording or monitoring was carried out when no one was present.

10. Any Other Business:

- It was noted that “Ontrack” had been asked to represent Frinton Residents Association with regard to rail re-franchising matters.
- The next AGM to be held in May 2011, precise date to be confirmed.
- There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 12.00.