

LNER (GC) Heritage Trust

Trustees Meeting

Held at Nottingham Transport Heritage Centre

Wednesday 10th January

A general discussion was held to cover the following items;

Work Permit/Working Members Memberships

The new procedure for the issuing of work permits is up and running and the requirement for volunteers to become members has resulted in more members. Andy raised the issue that, unlike GCR, there isn't anything in place to ensure that checks are made to make sure that work permit holders are current. It was decided that we will adopt the GCR method and Karen to contact the membership secretary for the Friends of Great Central Mainline to learn how their system works and adopt the use of the photo ID membership cards.

Finances

Martin provided the latest accounts. Andy confirmed that a new firm of accountants have been secured and will pass on their detail to Martin for him to make contact. The lease for the land in Bradmore has been looked at and there is scope for increasing the rent for the first time since the lease was taken on by Mr Wheatcroft.

Monthly Draw

Since the last edition of Driving Wheels and the article regarding the purchase of the picnic benches we have had four members apply/register interest in playing. Since the sad passing of Arthur Barber who was one of the signatories for the GCRNDA bank account which is still receiving payments from four players, Alan Kemp, Paul Chambers and Karen are to visit Nat West in West Bridgford to make changes to the names on the account with a view to closing the account as soon as possible. Numerous letters have been sent to those paying in and they have been advised that the account will be closing and that they will no longer be taking part in the draw. It was agreed to continue to publicise the draw to attract new players.

Record Keeping and HOPS

It was agreed that Karen assist John Akinin with record keeping for footplate crew competencies and also that of the volunteer base as Volunteer Liaison Officer. Karen is working on a new Volunteer Handbook which will be issued to all volunteers which will need to be signed for. Karen to be given access to HOPS (Heritage Operations Processing System).

Concern has been raised about the lower age limit for volunteers which will be covered in the new handbook.

An impending visit from ORR has highlighted that there is a lot of work to do with regard to record keeping. Work also needs to be done on assessing which staff require PTS and need

to be classed as safety critical. Karen to liaise with department heads and Andy to put this in place. Andy to arrange for a PTS training course to be held on site.

Date of next meeting

TBC.