

READING AND DISTRICT MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB

COMMITTEE MEETING 7th October 2024

MINUTES

1. Attendees – Andy Warlow, Dave Grey, Steve Fleming, Tim Jones, Ian McConnell.

Apologies: Joe Dray.

2. Approval of minutes of last meeting – N/A. Due to ongoing personal issues, Joe has been unable to provide minutes for the previous meeting. However, the meeting was an update on TVP licence issues which are not yet resolved, so no concerns.
3. Outstanding actions – the action log has not been maintained from the previous meeting so this will be updated at the next opportunity.
4. Finance/Membership update

Finances for 2024 will be provided for the AGM once year end accounts are complete but it currently looks as though we are running very slightly over budget, helped by the significant increase in interest we are now earning at the bank.

There are currently 58 members, of which 2 are juniors. This figure will be used for deciding the 2025 club membership renewal fee.

5. Flying field matters

The flooding of the flying strip at the start of the year and the current flooding cannot be avoided. The flying strip is on land designated a flood relief plain so the club cannot divert flood waters to try and avoid the flooding.

Training new members has continued, albeit slowly due to weather issues. We still have only one instructor (Andy) so unless things change, we will not be taking on any more new members next year unless they already have their 'A' cert.

Discussions with Oracle regarding the TVP licence have not progressed. Savills appear to have lost the contract to manage TVP but no idea when/who the new management company will take over and whether or not Dorota will remain in position with the new company. Requests to Pincents about the contract have gone un-answered so we are unable to proceed with moving to a company limited by guarantee which, we believe, will fit with what Oracle requires.

7 members attended the Indoor Flying event, raising £70 towards the cost of the room booking.

6. Web site/Google mail

Nothing to report.

7. Preparations for 2025 AGM meeting

Chairmans report – **action Andy**

Treasurers report and accounts – **action Ian**. Given the current finances the 2025 subscription fee will remain. This will be reviewed next year when an increase to £20 might be needed.

Room booking and food – **action Andy**. Post meeting Andy has approached the Oakwood Centre and has booked the meeting room. The cost of the room, to be confirmed, is £42. The previous company who supplied refreshments are no longer operating at the Oakwood Centre. Andy has approached the new company and is awaiting more details of their service and the associated costs.

Position of treasurer to be advertised – **action Andy**

Invitation to members first week in November – **action Andy**

Chairmans report – **action Andy**

AGM documentation pack – **action Andy**

8. AOB

9. Date of Next meetings

Date for 2024 AGM is December 3rd.