

ROCHDALE SOCIETY OF MODEL ENGINEERS ANNUAL REPORT

The purpose of our Society is to inform and educate the public in the practice of miniature Engineering. One way we achieve this is by stimulating the interest of younger generation(s) in general technology and, more specifically, railway technology by giving them rides on the miniature railway and encouraging them to examine the workings of the engines

Our Society operates and maintains a multi gauge miniature railway in Springfield Park, Rochdale. This park is owned by Rochdale MBC from whom we lease the railway site.

Our regular programme of bimonthly meetings and talks at Castleton Community Centre recommenced during the year with a variety of subjects discussed. The talks are open to the public, and subsequently new members joined the Society.

The miniature railway public running sessions in Springfield Park gave over 5,000 rides up to the end of September. All the Society activities aim to be as inclusive as possible within the limits of safety for the public and Society members. Rides on the miniature railway are available to all the diverse public who use the park. We run the Halloween and Santa Claus trains, when for a very modest (or even no) donation the public can bring their children for a ride and meet Santa Claus. This compares with more elaborate but far more expensive events run by other railway-based organisations. No child need miss out on meeting Santa and having a train ride, purely on cost grounds.

The clubhouse at Springfield Park has a small meeting room, workshop, modest technical library, steam boiler test rig. Specialist tools are available for members to borrow. All these facilities and experience are freely available to both Junior and Senior members who are interested in model engineering.

The Society supports the local community by inviting donations for the Mayor's annual charity when running our miniature trains at a special event. We supported the Ellenroad Steam museum by mounting an exhibition of models at their monthly Open day on 3rd July. This supports our aims by bringing the attention of the wider public to the practice of miniature engineering.

A rolling programme of maintenance projects was completed during the closed season where members could pass on their skills to other members. Talks were held during this year with a local youth group to involve them with a hands on engineering activity, though so far the detail has not been finalised.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Name _____

Receipts and payments account

For the period from	Period start date	To
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
A1 Receipts			
Takings	4,656	-	-
Subscriptions	1,050	-	-
Auctions	116	-	-
Donations	289	-	-
Miscellaneous sales	219	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	6,330	-	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).			
Interest	106	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	106	-	-
Total receipts	6,436	-	-
A3 Payments			
Insurance	£2,507.32	-	-
Operating costs	1,205	-	-
Speakers fees	130	-	-
Maintenance	2,737	-	-
Publicity & Exhibitions	35	-	-
Sundries	60	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	6,675	-	-

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)			
New storage facility	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-
Total payments	6,675	-	-
receipts/(payments)	- 239	-	-
A5 Transfers between	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year	-	-	-
funds this year end	62	-	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current account	11,311
	Savings account	15,106
	Cash in hand	62
	Total cash funds	26,479
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £
	None	-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs
	None	

**B4 Assets retained
for the charity's
own use**

Details

**Fund to
which asset
belongs**

B5 Liabilities

Details

Nil

**Fund to
which liability
relates**

Signed by one or two
trustees on behalf of all
the trustees

Signature

R Hayter
M Foster

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No (if any)

counts

Period end date

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Total fundsto the nearest
£

4,656
1,050
116
289
219
-
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6,330

Last yearto the nearest
£

5,497
1,289
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20
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-
6,873

106
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106

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6,436

6,873

2,507
1,205
130
2,737
35
60
-
-
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6,675

1,822
625
105
1,772
158
68
-
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4,550

-	4,330
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-	4,330
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Restricted funds
to nearest £

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Restricted funds
to nearest £

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Cost (optional)

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Endowment funds
to nearest £

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OK

Endowment funds
to nearest £

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Current value (optional)

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Current value (optional)
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Amount due (optional)
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When due (optional)

Print Name

Robert Hayter
Michael J Foster

Date of
approval

05/12/23
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