

# **Hartlepool Model Flying Club**

**Minutes for the meeting held on  
WEDNESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> May 2025  
at South Durham Social Club  
(Former Steelworks Club)**

## **1. Apologies for absence**

Mike Bell, Kevin Hunton-Young,

There were 8/23 members present

## **2. Matters arising from last months minutes**

Nothing brought up.

## **3. Chairman's report**

Nothing to report

## **4. Secretary's report**

Nothing to report.

## **5. Treasurer's report**

Our finances stand as follows.

Cash at the bank = £1081.94

Cash in hand = £253.36

Total = £1335.30

## **6. Welfare officers report**

Mike was absent but there's nothing to report

## **7. BMFA delegate's report**

Paul was absent and nothing to report

## **8. Club business**

### **• Flying Field Update**

The good weather has firmed up the gate entrance, fingers crossed it continues. Sheep have been spotted in the flying field, they shouldn't pose much of a problem for flying but be wary about leaving the gate open if there are around.

The flying strip is still a little bit rough but improving with every cut it gets. Most model are working well on it.

### **• Membership 2025**

Club membership are all paid up and currently stands at 23 members.

### **• Flyer ID Information from BMFA**

Our Club currently now has **17** members who are legal to fly so far this year.

If you have a Flyer ID and haven't yet sent the information to Bob please do so ASAP.

**If you haven't got a Flyer ID and the Operator ID on your model you can't fly at the club field.**

Under the new laws that are now in place a Flyer ID is now compulsory. (It's FREE)

**If you've got a Flyer ID then good, if you haven't please sit the BMFA RCC test and get one.**

### **• BMFA Achievement scheme**

Anyone wanting to take the BMFA A or B competency certificate please see Mike or Bob.

- **Club Merchandise**

We have club hats, caps & sun hats for sale after the meeting.

- **Events on the club website**

There are a number of events posted on the club website, if anyone knows of others that club member would be interested in please let me know. The winter Indoor flying season has finished, it should be re-starting in September. Dates to be announced.

- **Next Months Activities**

For the June meeting we will be having a casual flying session in the room. If you have a mini heli or mini drone bring it along for a try out. Similarly the same goes for gliders or small rubber powered planes.

**9. AOB**

- Best wishes sent to Mike. Hoping he makes a full recovery very soon.

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

**Drone Obstacle Night**

We set up our obstacles and had a bit of a try out and all was well until Chairman Paul's drone took off and headed straight through the bar opening. Fortunately no damage was done and at that point we thought it was a good time to stop. Note for future, we must keep the drones away from the bar!