



FRIENDS OF THE RAIL NPC

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Circular to Members

Dear FOTR member,

Re: Annual General Meeting, 23rd May 2015

It is almost that time of the year, FOTR AGM time, again.

Last year, circumstances forced us to hold the AGM later than usual on 31st May 2014. This year is no different. We are constrained between the earliest availability of our audited financial statements and the large number of public holidays over weekends in March and April, including Easter, various school holidays. Some members of FOTR also participate in the annual "Stars of Sandstone" steam festival.

Complicating this is the non-availability in early May, for personal reasons, of some of the existing board members without whose presence the AGM would be less than complete.

As a result of these circumstances, we have again been forced to hold the AGM later than we would have liked. We have identified Saturday 23rd May 2015 at 14:30 as the best date and time for the AGM; one which would suit almost everyone. It will be held at our Hermanstad Depot as usual.

Accordingly, the "Formal Notice" is attached to this communication, together with a "Form of Nomination" for those who harbour mad desires to be elected to the Board. Please note that in terms of the Constitution of the Association, this form must be completed by the nominee and proposed by two members of the Association to be valid. It must be returned to the secretary by no later than Saturday 25th April 2015 (28 days before the AGM).

In a change, this year we would really appreciate it if the nominees would append a short motivation, a very brief CV and a portrait photograph for circulation to members

The Friends of the Rail Association, NPC

Registration No. 1995/009790/08

Directors 2014: SG Appleton* (secretary), A Attwell, NH Berelowitz (chairman), L Labuschagne, Z de Lange (vice treasurer), CE Janisch (vice-chairman), JA Koch (treasurer), G Kovacs, SJ Smith, AC Victor
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ahead of the meeting for their information. Not mandatory, but a nice to have, so that those who do not know you can feel included.

In terms of article 43 of the Association's Constitution, you are also entitled to propose resolutions and to raise such points for discussion as are permitted by the Constitution to be raised and discussed at an AGM. Notice, including the subject and import of such points, must be made, in writing, to the secretary on or before 25th April 2015, in order to be confirmed as valid and included in the Agenda.

With best regards,



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