



AUDLEM AND DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB

Website: www.audlemprobud.org

Founded in 1995 by Nantwich Rotary

President 2026/7 Franklin Goodwin

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 18TH May 2026 at 2pm

PRESENT Franklin Goodwin Mike Parton, Roy Plume, Jerry Sullivan
Joe Hoyles, Alvar Jones, Mike Hartland
Member Jean Stainthorpe

Apologies none.

The President welcomed all and thanked them for attending
There is only one item on the agenda for this meeting and that is to progress the comments made at the last committee meeting on 16th April 2026 regarding the club website.
It had been proposed at that meeting that member Jean Stainthorpe be coopted onto the committee as a committee representative for the website and the purpose of this meeting was to try and progress that and also for member Alvar Jones (club technical officer) to address issues raised by the committee about the website.

Initially it was raised "does the committee want to keep the website?"

After discussion the committee agreed that they wanted to keep the website but to make it more attractive/interesting with news and social events etc so that members would use it.
Alvar Jones said that the club had decided in 2013 to have a website and he had drawn up a specification which has not really changed to the current website and he became the main contact for the website and liaised with John Gunstone of Thenmedia to implement.

This is still the case

Currently we have approx. 8 hits per day on the website but no breakdown is available

The committee's main concerns are that the website is not up to date and there are many photos on there of members who had died or left the club.

Alvar Jones explained that

1 he cannot become a fulltime member of the committee

2 members details are updated when received from the Hon Sec

3 the speaker section is updated by member Mike Smith from info from the Speaker Sec

4 member Mike Smith knows the system and will act as AJs deputy when needed but does not want to

5 There is nothing in the social events section because nothing is sent to him to post

6 Same comments for the news section

7 AJ had made the decision to keep some "Old" photos of well-known members on the website. It was proposed that old photos be kept in a separate folder. AJ to look into this

It was proposed by Mike Hartland and seconded by Jerry Sullivan that Jean Stainthorpe be coopted onto the committee as the website representative

This was supported by the committee

Jean Stainthorpe accepted the nomination and thanked the committee but said she would need to liaise with Alvar Jones to get up to speed on the functions of the website

Alvar Jones agreed to liaise with Jean to do that

Alvar Jones wished to bring to the committee's attention that we have no formal back up for the website if it crashes. The committee asked AJ to come forward with a proposal

JS asked if the clubs GDPR policy covered photographs of members?

Date on Next Committee meeting 27th July 2026 at 2pm at the hall

Comments received from Alvar Jones 19/5/26

The only thing I would add is that the target audience for the website is small (60 members), but to be used more it needs to have fresh articles and details of activities posted regularly and that it is incumbent upon every member of the committee to submit articles/details to post and to encourage members to do the same.

For example how about articles about members "life story "

The editor can only post what has been submitted