

Midlands IBM Retirees Club

Committee Meeting Minutes for 13 July 2026

Present : John, Terry, Gary, Ray and Paul.

Apologies: Michael on holiday

The previous meeting minutes were approved and there were no matters arising.

Chairman's Report

Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report

End of June current account balance was £227.87

Bank charges were £4.25

All money paid for the canal boats

Paul is now preparing the End of Year accounts

These accounts will be sent to the committee for review then presented at the AGM

Membership Report

No changes. 148 members on distribution list.

Technology Group

Charles Barnwell has an update about his heating system. John will contact Charles to arrange a suitable month and day to present this.

Events for 2026

E2607CAN - Canal day boats - Lyons Boat Yard at Warstock

Paul has received 17 bookings so has booked a boat on two days

1) Wednesday 29th July for 11 members

2) Thursday. 20th August for 6 members

Cost for each boat is £170 and will be £20 per person

Paul sent out full details by email to booked members on 7th July

E2608AGM - AGM plus garden golf and lunch - Monday 10th Aug John & Ray

This event will be similar to last years at Gaydon Village Hall

John has created an enjoyable garden golf course
Julie and Chris will buy and prepare the lunch
We will arrange to video the event and put it on our website

September onwards

Potential events for rest of year are:

1. Visiting Hidcote gardens which are near Mickleton
2. A ramble with short and longer walk options including lunch
3. Visiting the Westonbirt Arboretum in late October or early November
4. Christmas Lunch in December

Newsletter

Paul will look into tidying up the newsletter archives

Items for this month's newsletter are:

Details of canal day boat trips.	- Paul
Details of the AGM, garden golf and lunch	- Ray & John
List of future potential 2026 events	- Ray

AOB - Gary noted that there are fewer members now attending events and wondered if we should consider winding up the club. However other committee members were happy to continue the club and we have enough money to continue for 2 or 3 years before needing subscriptions.

Next Meeting is our AGM at Gaydon Village Hall

Monday 10 August 2026 starting with coffee/tea from 10.30 am