



Radio Society of Great Britain
Repeater Management Committee
Minutes of Meeting 5th October 2002
Held At Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel

Present

Carlos Eavis	G0AKI	RMC Chairman
Dave Wilson	G7OBW	Northern England Regional Manager
Andrew Barrett	G8DOR	South & South West England Regional Manager
Mark Lewis	GW7KDU	Wales Regional Manager/Secretary
Tony Horsman	G0MBA	South East England Regional Manager
Len Baddeley	G8LXI	East Midlands Regional Manager
Graham Shirville	G3VZV	TV Repeater Co-ordinator
Bill Mahoney	G3TZM	West Midlands Regional Manager

A: Apologies

Colin Dalziel	GM8LBC	Scotland Regional Manager/Proposals Manager
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B: Chairman's opening remarks

G0AKI opened the meeting with the news that the general view of the committee is that it is doing a good job. The RSGB board welcomes the regular meetings and publication of the minutes.

A brief meeting was held with the RA in September where the problem of the 70cm repeaters was discussed.

C: Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the July 2002 meeting were approved. Copies to be sent to HQ and GM8LBC for RMCweb.

Action GW7KDU

D: Matters arising

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10m Repeater Specification.

Closed

New guide: The RA will make further amendments.

Action RA

Personal cross band repeaters. Response from RA still awaited

Action RA

GB3SL

Closed

GB3SG

Closed

GB3WD	Closed
Northampton letter of intent. Nothing heard	Closed
Letter of intent for 70cm repeater for Dumbarton.	Closed
GB3DH	Closed
RA meeting, held in September	Closed
Repeater Report: Delayed in anticipation of 70cm press release from RA.	Action GW7KDU
 <i>Voice Repeaters – matter arising</i>	
GB3IB: Weston Super Mare and GB3IT Tamworth. Both Wide 70cm applications, have been rejected by MOD. Awaiting suggested frequencies from RA/MOD.	Action RA/MOD
GB3EA: Withdrawn	Closed
GB3SH: Processed and submitted for clearance.	Closed
GB3RU: No progress by group.	Closed
GB3WD	Closed
GB3AA	Closed
GB3CD	Closed
GB3MG: The keeper has requested assistance locating some cavities. G0MBA has sent some details of the project to GW7KDU but is waiting for more information.	Action G0MBA
GB3SG: Keeper was written to by the RA giving him notice to return the repeater to service by November else a second NoV will be issued	Closed
GB3AS	Closed

GB3BY

Closed

GB3DA

Closed

GB3NB: Site change application submitted.

TV Repeaters – matters arising

GB3TI: The group intent to move to an all-digital solution in the data part of the band has resolved the complaint.

Closed

Repeaters and the Internet – matters arising

RMC VoIP specialist position on committee.

Closed

F: Voice Repeaters

Wales region

GB3CD: Application returned to proposed keeper to consider whether he wants to ask the RA/RIS to perform a site visit. The proposed keeper, GW6CUR has asked the Chairman to overrule the decision made by the RMC Regional manager. The Chairman is happy the decision that was made and will write to GW6CUR to confirm this.

Action Chairman

GB3WW: Application received for a site change, this will be passed to the RMC proposals manager for processing.

Action GW7KDU

South & South West England Region

GB3YS: Fast track site change application expected shortly.

Action G8DOR

East Midlands Region

GB3MX: Site change application received for a move to a commercial site

GB3FR: Reports of abuse. The keeper will be reminded of his responsibilities by letter.

Action Chairman

GB3LM: Currently off-air.

GB3LS: Currently off-air with deaf RX.

GB3FJ: Keeper wants to implement voice ident. This is acceptable provided it is done within existing guidelines.

North of England Region

GB3IR: Letter of intent for a dedicated Internet repeater at Scotch Corner.

GB3YR: Keeper reports problems caused by users of other repeaters that are 12.5kHz above and below his unit. Keeper will be contacted to discuss the problem more fully.

Action G7OBW

GB3YU: Application for new 70cm wide space in Barnsley on a residential house. Application to be returned to the applicant with instruction to contact local RA/RIS if he wants to have a site inspection performed.

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GB3IS: Application for 70cm wide space in Southport. Antenna height is 20m above ground level, sited on a commercial property but in a built up area. More information is required, e.g. proximity of car parks etc.

Action G7OBW

GB3CD/CU: Application for a 70cm repeater in Cudworth, Barnsley on a residential house. Application to be returned to the applicant with instruction to contact local RA/RIS if he wants to have a site inspection performed. The callsign GB3CD is already reserved by an application for Cardiff.

Action G7OBW

GB3RB: 70cm wide space, frequency change required. Choose new pair and re-submit.

Action G7OBW

South East England Region

GB3HW: The keeper has notified the RMC that he no longer wishes to maintain/run the repeater and would like to hand responsibility for it to another group. Possible groups would be investigated and the details passed on as necessary.

Action G0MBA

West Midlands Region

GB3DX: Application has been received for a 2-metre Internet repeater. Will be passed to the RMC Proposals manager in due course.

Action G3TZM

Scottish Region

GB3DM: (Dumbarton 70cm) Full proposal received but site in residential area, the group have been advised of the current policy.

Northern Ireland Region

MI0AAZ has enquired about establishing a 2m or 70cm wide space repeater in County Antrim. He will be contacted with an offer of help.

Action G7OBW

G: TV Repeaters

GB3FT: New application for a 13cm repeater in Newbury submitted in August.

The CAA has rejected the frequencies of three applications (GB3FV, GB3PT and GB3CX) that are currently in progress.

H: Internet Gateways

The RA still have not completed their review of 24/7 Internet gateways.

The Clacton group have completed their one year trial of an onsite Internet link and in general they are not happy with the results. A report is follow shortly.

Action G0MBA

The Thames valley group would like to add a second CTCSS tone on receive provide better control of the Internet link on their Bracknell repeater. There was no objection to this.

I: RA Meetings

A meeting was held with the RA in September. The policy on 70cm repeaters in residential areas was clarified.

Debbie Wiles is now producing the clearance/progress notices.

The "new guide" as published on the RA Website will be used for repeater applications until it has been re-worked again.

No further meetings have been arranged.

J: Publicity

The yearbook has been published with the latest data. Work on the RSGB repeater data card is progressing.

Repeater Report is still outstanding, due to being held back pending inclusion of a statement from the RA on 70cm in residential areas. The existing draft is to be circulated around the committee for comment and the addition of extra material.

Action GW7KDU

All members of the committee should make an effort to prepare items for inclusion in the Radcom column. If the column is not supported then it will be discontinued. The target 900 words bi-monthly with a good quality digital photo. Smaller articles can be combined to fill the column.

Action All

K: Complaints

G1SLE has complained that a proposal he has submitted for a Voice switch that he would like to use to link repeaters and simplex frequencies has not been dealt with. The proposal was submitted in August. G1SLE will be contacted to find out more about the project.

Action G8DOR

L: Any other business

G7OBW will be attending the Llandudno rally on 2/3 November and he has also received an invitation to the South Yorkshire Rally in Barnsley on 12 November. GW7KDU hopes to attend Llandudno but this is dependant on work commitments.

G0MBA reported that he attended the last DCC meeting. The DCC have invited the RMC to join them in holding a public meeting in Northampton in the near future.

M: Date and time of next meeting

11:00am, 25 January 2003, Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel