

Approved for May 2005



**Radio Society of Great Britain**  
**Repeater Management Committee**  
**Minutes of Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> May 2005**  
**Held At Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel**

**Present**

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| Andrew Barrett   | G8DOR  | Acting RMC Chairman, South & South West England Regional Manager |
| Mark Lewis       | GW7KDU | Wales Regional Manager/Secretary                                 |
| Bill Mahoney     | G3TZM  | West Midlands Regional Manager                                   |
| Colin Dalziel    | GM8LBC | Scotland Regional Manager/Proposals Manager                      |
| Graham Shirville | G3VZV  | TV Repeater Co-ordinator   |

**Visitors**

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| Rod Wilkinson | G3TXA | RSGB HQ Repeater Co-ordinator |
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**A: Apologies**

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| Colin Thomas | G3PSM | RSGB Board Member |
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**B: Chairman's opening remarks**

Andrew G8DOR opened the meeting by announcing the RSGB board have yet to make a decision on the chairmanship of the RMC and that, for the time being he remains acting Chairman. Andrew informed the meeting that he wants to continue the good work carried out by his predecessor, G0AKI by taking the repeater network forward by exploring new ideas such as 4m repeaters, 4m inputs to existing repeaters and getting the issues with 70cm resolved as soon as possible.

The recent meeting with the MOD/Ofcom was successful. All parties are keen to resolve the 70cm issues some work is planned to hopefully move the situation along. There is another meeting planned for October.

**C: Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the 5 February 2005 meeting were approved subject to some minor corrections. Copies to be sent to HQ and GM8LBC for RMCweb.

**Action GW7KDU**

**D: Matters arising**

*Matters arising – Previous minutes*

GB3WU: **Closed**

GB3ML: **Closed**

GB3BK: **Closed**

Internet Gateway application:

**Closed**

Ofcom liaison: we are still not receiving regular information from Ofcom.

Change of keeper form:

**Closed**

*Matters arising – Voice Repeaters*

GB3TY: The correct frequencies have been sent to Ofcom. Nothing further has been heard.

**Action Chairman**

GB3TO: All documentation has at last been received, submitted for clearance.

**Closed**

GB3PD: All issues have been resolved. Repeater is now on air.

**Closed**

*Matters arising – TV Repeaters*

GB3ZB:

**Closed**

**E: Voice Repeaters**

GB3BS: Reports of abuse on this repeater. Enquiries will be made with the keeper.

**Action G8DOR**

GB3IS: New 2m repeater for Isle of Skye.

GB3DU: New 2m repeater for the Scottish Borders. Repeater has been cleared but is waiting for some additional filters to be installed before coming operational.

GB3DX: Application for change of keeper received.

GB3DX: The remote receivers project is working well.

GB3DY/MW: Complaints of co-channel interferences. G3TQM is to liaise with both keepers to resolve the issues. The technical parameters of each repeater to be sent ASAP to GM8LBC who will produce coverage maps.

**Action G3TQM & GM8LBC**

GB3NF: New application for a 2m repeater to serve Nottingham. There are a number of problems with the application. The proposed keeper (M1FJB) will be contacted to resolve the issues.

**Action G3TQM**

GB3VT: The keeper of GB3VT has been contacted by users of the repeater to complain of interference caused by some users of GB3CG.

Leicester 23cm voice repeater: Expression of interest by M1FJB in building a 23cm voice repeater for Leicester. M1FJB will be advised to submit an application and it will be processed in the usual manner.

**Action G3TQM**

Watford Gap: M1FJB interested in 4m repeater for Watford Gap area.

## **F: TV Repeaters**

GB3BH: Cleared since last meeting.

GB3ZE: Cleared since last meeting.

Applications still outstanding GB3LB (Birmingham, 13cm, Oct 2004), GB3RX (Coventry, 13cm, Nov 2004), GB3YV (Bradford, 13cm, Dec 2004) and GB3TZ (Luton, 13cm digital output, Dec 2004). G3VZV asked that we take affirmative action to find out what is happening.

**Action G3TXA**

GB3RT: Site change required with the next 18 months. Advise the group that this should be avoided if possible due to present difficulties with clearing.

**Action G3VZV**

## **G: Internet gateways**

Nothing to report.

## **H: Ofcom Liaison**

The RMC is receiving very little information from Ofcom. We want to arrange, through the RSGB Spectrum Director, G3PSM a meeting with Ofcom as a matter of urgency to resolve these issues.

**Action G3PSM**

Ofcom is to be contacted to find out the precise situation of each outstanding application.

**Action GM8LBC**

## **I: Repeater Abuse**

GB3OK has finished its temporary 28-day closedown. The abuse has restarted. The local RIS office is monitoring the situation.

## **J: DCC Liaison**

G0MBA was not present at the meeting to report on any liaison with DCC.

## **K: Publicity**

Material is still required for RadCom. The next deadline is 10 June. Material to GW7KDU ASAP.

**Action All**

A request for Repeater Group newsletters to be sent to GW7KDU will be added to RMC Web.

**Action GM8LBC**

## **L: AOB**

A number of Internet linked simplex gateways have been joined together to form duplex repeaters on 70cm. These require review.

**Action Chairman & G3PSM**

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GM8LBC presented a new online repeater application form that he has designed for use on RMCWeb for review. It was universally welcomed and will be made available on RMCWeb with immediate effect.

**Action GM8LBC**

G3TXA is to be added to the RMC reflector.

**Action GW7KDU**

**M: Date and time of next meeting**

11:00am, 16 July 2005, Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel.