

NIMROD PROJECT COMMITTEE No. 23

11th April 1961

CHAIRMAN'S BRIEF

Item 1 Minutes of previous meeting

No comments received.

Item 2 Matters arising

Page 2. Action Mr. Bowles. The necessary action to establish clean conditions in the Bubble Chamber Annexe and Plant Room was taken.

Papers issued since the last meeting:-

PSPC/P80 Quarterly Statement No. 13. This was submitted to the G.P.C., but approval of the revised estimate of £11.229M was withheld pending Treasury approval of an increase in the NIMROD estimate to cover the fixed price for the vacuum chamber contract. Mr. Miller can elaborate on this if required.

PSPC/P81 NIMROD estimate. This paper revised the estimate with particular reference to the main vacuum chamber.

G.P.C. approval was obtained for placing a contract with Marston Excelsior for £1.2M, also for increasing the NIMROD estimate by £505,000 subject to further discussions with Mr. Drake.

PSPC/P82 Progress report on the main vacuum chamber. This paper gave a brief review of the action taken by the Project Group following the discussion at the last Project Committee. This paper kept members informed on the current position following the decision to cancel the special meeting on the vacuum chamber.

Item 3 Progress of Building Work

Mr. Ashley will report on Phase I work which is now virtually completed.

Item 4 Progress of Plant

A paper will be tabled by Mr. Nott which will give an account of the progress of plant construction work being

carried out by D & E Group. I would prefer to treat this as an informal paper and reference can be made to it under the various plant headings.

4.1 Injector - Progress report by Dr. Hobbs

4.2 R.F. System - " " " Mr. Dunn

4.3 Control System " " " Mr. Hadley

4.4 Magnet " " " Mr. Wilkins

4.5 Coils " " " Mr. Wilkins

4.6 Power Supply " " " Mr. Wilkins

4.7 Vacuum System. A paper (PSPC/P83) by Mr. Bowles and Mr. Cross giving a detailed account of the situation at Harston Excelsior with respect to the main vacuum chamber and its relation to the NIMROD construction programme will be tabled. I feel that we should endeavour to keep the discussion on the other items on the agenda to a minimum to allow sufficient time for a full discussion on the vacuum chamber.

Item 5 Any other business

None that I know of.

Item 6 Date of the next meeting

Suggest that this is on Tuesday, 11th July at 2.15 p.m. I have checked with your Secretary and this date is convenient for you.

F.M. Telling

6th April, 1961.