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THE MIDLAND PIONEER

A Day Excursion to Leicester and the Midland Railway Centre Saturday 10th September 2011

This Excursion takes us to the east Midlands, our route north of the London area being via the Midland main line in both directions. Our first stop to set down will be at Leicester for those who do not wish to carry on to other more railway orientated destinations. Leicester is the county town of Leicestershire, and you will find all of the shops and facilities of most large cities. The city's famous Jewry Wall and the adjacent museum may also appeal to some.

The second calling point is at Loughborough, where you may alight for the Great Central Railway. Our train then continues along the Erewash Valley route to just beyond Langley Mill where we diverge onto the line which will take us to the Midland Railway Centre at Butterley. This is believed to be one of the first through passenger workings from the National rail network to this interesting centre.

Our visit is during the MRC's 'DMU Weekend', and our train is expected to generate much interest. The Midland Railway Centre at Butterley is the home for all the things related to the Midland Railway. There is a standard gauge line which has steam and diesel hauled passenger trains, and the main site at Swanwick has a museum devoted to the Midland Railway which includes a large collection of steam and diesel locomotives. It is a day out for the whole family with model and miniature railways, a country park, as well as a host of other attractions.

Our train has a well stocked Buffet Car and a selection of hot and cold snacks and drinks will be available at reasonable prices throughout both outward and return journeys.

Included in the Club Class fare are food and drinks throughout both journeys, and an evening meal with wine will be served on our way home. Why not spoil yourself?

TIMINGS AND DETAILS ARE OVERLEAF. A BOOKING FORM IS BELOW

| TO : Has | stings Diesels | Ltd. (Tours), | Railway De | pot, Bridg | eway, St. Le | eonards-on-Sea. | TN38 8AP |
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FROM: Name

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Provisional Timings: These timings are approximate; final arrangements are not expected from Network Rail until quite near the date of the excursion.

| Hastings St. Leonards Warrior Sq Battle Etchingham Tunbridge Wells Tonbridge Bromley South | depart depart depart depart depart depart depart | 07.35 07.40 07.55 08.05 08.30 08.45 09.15 | Butterley (MRC) Loughborough Leicester Clapham Junction Bromley South Tonbridge Tunbridge Wells | depart depart depart approx. approx. approx. approx. | 16.45 17.20 17.40 20.40 21.20 21.45 22.00 |
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| Tunbridge Wells | depart | 08.30 | Bromley South | approx. | 21.20 |
| Tonbridge | depart | 08.45 | Tonbridge | approx. | 21.45 |
| Bromley South | depart | 09.15 | Tunbridge Wells | approx. | 22.00 |
| Clapham Junction | depart | 09.55 | Etchingham | approx. | 22.25 |
| Leicester | approx. | 12.50 | Battle | approx. | 22.40 |
| Loughborough | approx. | 13.10 | St. Leonards Warrior Sq | approx. | 22.55 |
| Butterley (MRC) | approx. | 13.45 | Hastings | approx. | 23.00 |

Fares: For travel to Leicester, Loughborough or Butterley (and return) from any of the stations listed above the standard fare is £60, or £220 for a bay of four seats; the Club Class fare is £85 per seat. There is a £5 supplement for travelling in either power car.

Club Class: Travel at a seat with a table, and refreshments are provided throughout the trip plus a meal with wine on the way home. Why not spoil yourself! Travel is likely to be in a DEMU trailer coach, or an additional £5 ensures travel in 'Tunbridge Wells' power car.

Power cars: A £5 supplement should be added to individual (not bay) fares for travel in power cars, either Club Class or with standard seating. Capacity is limited.

Refreshments: Our train includes a Buffet Car and a selection of hot and cold snacks and drinks will be available throughout the day at reasonable prices. There is also a trolley service.

Booking: Please **complete both sides** of the booking form below, cut it off, then send it to the address shown with a cheque for the appropriate amount and a SAE for return of your tickets.

For further information (including enquiries about seat availability), please send an e-mail to <2011@hastingsdiesels.co.uk>, or telephone 01424 812254 [answerphone at certain times].

| Travelli | ng from |
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| Seats re | • |
| | standard seats at £60 each* |
| | bays of four standard seats in trailer coaches* at £220 per bay |
| | CLUB CLASS seats at £85 each |
| | POWER CAR supplement £5 each Club Class or Standard (see above) |
| Cheque | (made payable to Hastings Diesels Limited) enclosed for £ |

Please also enclose a stamped addressed envelope for return of your tickets; these will be sent with confirmed timings a few days before the trip.