

1: The host & guides awaiting the arrival of the special train From left to right: Peter Davies (*FoSCL*), Drew Haley (*Northern Rail*), Brenda Haw (*FoSCL*), Duncan Ward (*FoSCL*), Ruth Evans (*FoSCL*), Mark Harvey (*FoSCL*), & Ann Robinson (*FoSCL*)



2: Welcome & organisation

Northern Rail's Client & Stakeholder Manager Drew Haley greets the arriving guests. The special train consisted of 153 366 in EMT livery and 155 345 in Northern livery. The Class 153 is currently on a six-month lease to Northern.



**3: Walking to Victoria Hall** A bit of 'Settle Sunshine' (more commonly referred to as light drizzle) doesn't seem to have dampened the spirits too much.



5:Arriving at Victoria Hall Marion Armstrong (from the Settle-Carlisle Development Company) welcomes the arriving guests.



**4: Walking to Victoria Hall** Keep smiling, we're nearly there.



**6: Arriving at Victoria Hall** The refreshments are this way . . . !



7: Inside Victoria Hall You can't beat a nice warm cuppa after a walk in the rain. Refreshments were served by the Settle-Carlisle Development Company team.



8: Inside Victoria Hall Northern Rail's Assistant Area Director Richard Allan expresses the Company's gratitude for the work done by volunteers and explains that it's worth around £½ million per annum.



9: Inside the Water Tower

Having recently purchased the last surviving original water tower on the Settle-Carlisle line, FoSCL's Mark Rand explains that he has now begun the slow (and at times extremely frustrating) process of converting it into a house.



**11: Inside the preserved signal box** FoSCL member Derek Soames - a signalman with 50 years experience – explains the history of the signal box and how it would have been operated when it was in service.



**10: Outside the Water Tower** It's still drizzling, but everyone seems to have come well prepared.



**12: Walking to the Museum** Look: no umbrellas. The drizzle has finally stopped.

## Photographs taken during the Northern Rail Stakeholders' visit to Settle (22th May 2011)



13: Inside the Museum An entire room on the second floor of the Museum of North Craven Life is devoted to the Settle-Carlisle Railway. This panel covers the Midland Railway era.



**14: Inside the Museum** Guests of all ages admired the 4mm finescale model of Settle station (set in the Midland Railway era).



15: Inside the Museum

The visually challenged guest on the left was trying to work-out the nature & purpose of this exhibit (a chimney pot) by touch alone. He managed to do so with only a couple of hints from his companion (on the right). Amazing!



16: The Settle hydro-electric generating plant Rather than using water wheels or water turbines, this interesting scheme uses an Archimedean Screw - the green (!) thing below the mesh at the base of the photo - to generate enough electricity to power around 80 homes.



**17: Boarding the special train for the return journey** The great thing about travelling by train is that the journey home is an integral part of the day-out.



**18: On board the special train** Please have your tickets ready for inspection. Northern Rail & FoSCL wish you a pleasant journey and hope that you enjoyed your visit to Settle.