

**MM 9 KITSON & Co LTD. SIDE TANK BODY SET
(LEEK & MANIFOLD LIGHT Rly 2-6-2T)**

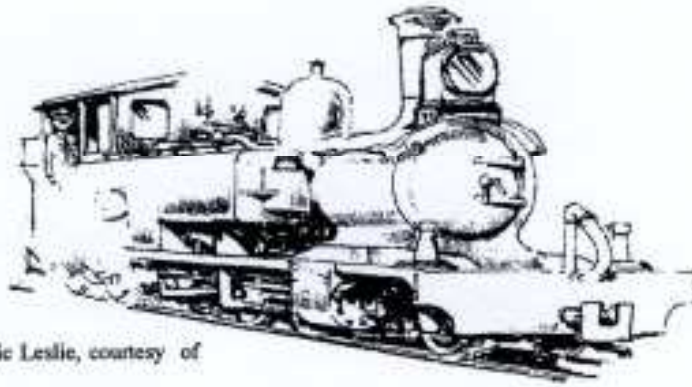


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The body parts supplied with this kit represents a Kitson built 2-6-4T design for the Leek & Manifold Light Railway, a 2'6" gauge line in the Derbyshire Peak District, which ran from Waterhouses and Hulme End. The line was built to the specifications and theories laid down by E.R.Calthrop, who had constructed the Barsi Light Railway in India, also of 2'6" gauge, which had similar locos but of an eight-coupled design, 0-8-4T. Kitson widely exported their products and locos with this family likeness were to be found as far as the island of Cyprus and the Mountains of Bolivia. This kit therefore lends its self to adaption and is most suited to British style layouts of a larger loading gauge or those based on colonial practice.

Originally supplied with the former Centre Models kit for a Leek & Manifold 2-6-4T, over 40 white metal castings are included. Comprising all main parts, boiler mountings and detail parts to build a loco body that is 105mm long and weighs 155 grams. Also included are cylinder blocks, bogie and pony truck parts.

Please note:- this kit has no commercially available chassis as a direct fit. The footplate has sufficient metal, and together with a capacious interior allows for adaptation to fit a large six or eight coupled Graham Farish or Bachmann 'N' scale chassis, or alternatively, a hand-built chassis of the correct design.