

# BARROWMORE

## MODEL RAILWAY GROUP

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### Workshop Notes: Desk tidy

Certain commonly used hand-tools seem more prone to 'wandering' than others!

Examples from my workshop are tweezers (I am forever buying more - then they disappear into a 'black hole'), and files. No doubt you have your own personal collection of 'I-can-never-lay-my-hands-on-one' items.

One solution that I have found helpful is to invest (about £1) in a plastic 'desk tidy' – sometimes called a 'tube tidy' in the office equipment stores that sell this sort of thing.

In effect it comprises perhaps half-a-dozen two- to five-inch lengths of plastic tube between 1½ and 2½in diameter, moulded together. The secret seems to be that tools are removed from the workbench surface, where they tend to get covered up in general clutter, to a vertical and more visible ('findable') position. The varying depths of the compartments suits different size items.

