

Minutes of PCC Committee Meeting

31st August 2016 at 7.00pm

Held at Christine's house (thank you Christine)

Present: Christine, Carol, Dee, Gerry, Hilary, Jenny, Margaret, Sheila, Ysanne.

- 1 Minutes of last meeting were agreed with two corrections, which will be updated on website (*MT*)
- 2 The July concert was a success, ran smoothly and raised £891.65 for FitzRoy. The Mayor and FitzRoy wrote very appreciative letters. The ukulele band was very enjoyable and we felt the whole event flowed well and was a relaxed and happy occasion.
- 3 The choir has now raised a total of £8,113.84 for local charities since our first fundraising concert in December 2011
- 4 We approved Carolyn's request for a small increase in her fees, bringing us in line with her other local choirs.
- 5 The date of AGM is Wednesday 19th October. Jenny will check that we can have the hall from 7pm for the meeting to start at 7.15. New committee members are needed, there are three vacancies. We will talk to people we think may be interested, and ask in email and in choir for volunteers. (*JC & all*)
- 6 Lucky Moyo Workshop at Steep Village Hall, 1.30 to 5.30 Saturday 29th October. Ysanne will check his fees and expenses. Charge £10 for members, £15 non-members, to include tea & cake. We'll put up a poster in the village and start advertising (*YB, CG and all*)
- 7 Selbourne Christmas singing to be confirmed (Sunday 4th December?) (*CG*)
- 8 A Social meeting the week after the concert on Wednesday 14th December could be held in the Hall – Ysanne could lead a fun sing, people's requests, bring drinks & nibbles (assuming Carolyn is busy with other concerts!).
- 9 Gerry had two possible suggestions for guest musician(s) at the Christmas concert: a harpist, Rosie Shepherd; and Adeste. Gerry will follow up with Rosie first, as we didn't know much about Adeste (a local duo. Perhaps follow up for the future. (*GL*)
- 10 Salvation Army Hall security: Jenny, Sheila, Hilary and Gerry will meet Linda to learn the alarms and locks for the Hall. The Hall has 50 chairs, plus another 20. The insurance has been set up.
- 11 Tony Struthers has asked if the choir would perform in aid of the Friends of Steep Church. Christine will clarify what he has in mind, and when. (*CG*)
- 12 The choir has been invited to join in singing at the Naval Dockyard in Portsmouth on Navy Day, Saturday 1st October. We discussed, but felt that rehearsal time was short and it would be complicated to organise for singing only 2 or 3 songs; maybe another time.
- 13 We discussed Irene Jeffries proposed trip to Germany next August. It is not practical as neither Carolyn nor Ysanne could lead it. Also we felt it was a long coach journey; the choir wouldn't be able to subsidise as we did for the French trip as funds need to be built up before we commit to major spending; we shouldn't use all surplus funds on one type of activity – not all members want to go on trips. Margaret will email Irene. We discussed a smaller scale trip, perhaps in the UK for one night. (*MT*)
- 14 We discussed various charities to support at Christmas, and decided on the Salvation Army Christmas Present Appeal. It is one of the Mayor's chosen charities, and seems appropriate given our new location. <http://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/christmas-present-appeal>. Carol will make contact (*CS*)
- 15 Our concerts next year are on 5th July 2017 and 6th December 2017. To be added to the website (*MT*)
- 16 Publicity for the new term & venue: Carol will send a 'what's on' entry to the Petersfield Post. We'll put an updated poster in the library and a few other places around town. More generally, the choir website is on the concert programmes. Concern expressed that people might go to TPS [Sheila's Mike has very kindly offered to go to TPS to re-direct any strays on the first night of term] (*CS, CG, YB*)

17 Care to be taken in monitoring photos used in the local paper and on the website (*CS, MT*)

18 Most folders were returned at the end of the concert. Jenny is monitoring (*JC*)

19 The choir is ten years old next year! We'll consider how we want to celebrate it –maybe a theme for a concert – a song from each year. Perhaps a CD.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 5th October at 7.00 pm in the Hall.

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