**KELSBOROW CHOIR COMMITTEE MEETING**

**on Thursday 10th May 2018 at 33, Peel Hall Lane, Ashton Hayes**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Elaine Campey (Chair), Jim Edwards, Christine Tickell, Isabelle Hughes, Margrett Barnes, Veronica Barnett, Heather Oulton, Malen Johnson, Mary Stubbington, Barry Lockwood

1. **Apologies:** Maddy Swan-Manning, Joan Pidgeon, Alan Burgess, Irene Wilkinson, Margaret Corlett.
2. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd March 2018 were approved and signed.
3. **Matters arising:** 
   1. **Defibrillator.** The unit purchased by the WI for the village remains uninstalled and resides at the WI Chairman’s house. There is further money left over from the sale of the WI building but it is doubtful whether any could be used to buy a second defibrillator for the village. Jim agreed to write again to the Oliver King foundation to see if money could be forthcoming from that quarter. |**AP01JDE|.**
   2. **First Aid.** Isabelle informed the meeting that we now have a first aid kit kept in one of the music cupboards. Christine Tickell and Isabelle were to be responsible for its maintenance and Isabelle to be given a music cupboard key.
   3. **Christmas Carol Singing.** Jim was asked to push ahead with securing carol singing dates in the run up to Christmas– Sainsburys, Tarporley Wyevale, Hollies, Okells Garden Centre, Tatton. **|AP02JDE|.**
   4. **Hall Closures.** Elaine advised the meeting that due to building maintenance works the village hall will not be available for us to meet during (maybe) six weeks – dates have yet to be agreed.
   5. **Christleton Concert.** Margaret had expressed herself very disappointed that only ~25 Choir members turned up at the concert. Mary asked how many had originally declared themselves available? Christine noted that a number of the Choir were away on holiday that week – and at present we only have 45 active singers.
   6. **Christleton uniform feedback.** Joan had observed that the Choir looked fine on the night – everyone had upped their game. The meeting noted that the men needed a wider choice of solid tie colour – although it was pointed out that most men don’t own a vibrant solid coloured tie – so it’s not surprising that they revert to the existing colour.
   7. **Membership packs –** Jim agreed to circulate copies of the membership packs for comment and possible re-drafting**.|AP03JDE|.**
4. **Correspondence**:
   1. Eaton Hall have written advising that all of the Courtyard facilities would be closed up until 2020 for necessary repairs.
5. **Treasurer’s Report**: Heather presented the accounts for discussion.
   1. Elaine asked Heather as to how many members had paid their subs? Heather said that she wasn’t clear as she wasn’t in possession of the latest membership list.
   2. In response to a question from Heather Elaine noted that we expected to be paid about £150.00 for the Christleton concert, having ourselves paid out about £115.00
   3. Veronica asked Heather when does the Choir receive the gift aid money back from HMRC? About now.
6. **Social Group:**
   1. The response to the plan for the walk from Malen’s house was good and a meeting of the social group was planned after the 20th May to review the event.
   2. Christine was talking to Steve Lightfoot about a possible walk in July.
   3. The Lunch at Pryors Hayes was now booked for 1pm on 16th September.
   4. Barry is planning the murder mystery evening to be held in October.
   5. An American supper is planned for the 18th December in the village hall.
7. **Publicity:** Isabelle updated the meeting on publicity activities, although there wasn’t a lot to report.
   1. Tickets and publicity materials are needed soon for the Barrow concert and tickets for the Christmas concert need to available at the beginning of September. Jim agreed to e-mail Maddy with the concert details and a request if she could take a look at a design. **|AP04JDE|.**
8. **Any Other Business:** 
   1. Malen asked what she should do with the rest of the uniform stock – the decision was taken that it should go to a charity shop.
   2. Jim agreed to send out an e-mail to the Choir membership to ensure compliance with GDPR. **|AP05JDE|**

The next meeting would be held at Elaine’s house on Thursday 21st June 2018 at 7:30.