**KELSBOROW CHOIR**

**COMMITTEE MEETING held on Thursday 24th January 2019 at 33, Peel Hall Lane, Ashton Hayes**

**MINUTES**

1. **Present:** Elaine Campey (Chair), Jim Edwards, Alan Burgess, Christine Tickell, Maddy Swan-Manning, Margrett Barnes, Veronica Barnett, Heather Oulton. Irene Wilkinson, Barry Lockwood, Margaret Corlett, Mary Stubbington.

1. **Apologies:** Malen Johnson, Sue Witter, Isabelle Hughes.
2. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on 7th November 2018 were approved and signed.
3. **Matters arising:**
	1. **Defibrilator**. In the absence of Isabelle there wasn’t an update available on the purchase of the defibrillator.
4. **Correspondence**: Jim advised that he hadn’t received any correspondence of note.
5. **Treasurer’s Report**: Heather presented the accounts for discussion.
	1. Heather advised that at the forthcoming AGM she would be advising that the annual subs be retained at £100.00
6. **Social Group:** Mary reported on behalf of the Social Group.
	1. The ticket sales for the afternoon tea in Tarvin Community Centre were 50, of which only half were from the Choir. It is not right that the same Choir members turn up to support the social activities of the Choir.
7. **Publicity:**Elaine advised that Isabelle was very content to remain as publicity officer but was not comfortable with using Facebook. Christine agreed to support Isabelle in this matter.
8. **Concerts:**
	1. The concert for Christleton church is provisionally booked – Jim to confirm **|AP01JDE|.**
	2. Barrow Concert. It was noted that this concert is intended to be accompanied by members of the local school choir. Margaret stated that she would be happy with a date in June but needed a specific date to work with. This is to be fundraising event for Wateraid.
	3. Barrow Church wedding. This wedding is booked for 29th June.
	4. NAC concert. Elaine asked that a paragraph be sent to the organisers containing a potted history of the Choir **|AP02JDE|.**
	5. Kelsall Hub Workshop. Planned for 17th March this is a joint event with four local Choirs. Margaret advised the meeting that the Choirs are booked, the Methodist church is booked.
	6. Irene asked if anything had be organised to attend Alan Hibbert’s memorial concert? Elaine advised that she had spoken to David but he hadn’t got back to her yet to confirm whther it was on 17th May. Margaret advised that she would not be available on 17th May. Elaine noted that if the Choir doesn’t formally attend then members would be able to go in their own right.
	7. Llanelian. Although we said back in 2018 that we would make contact in 2019 nothing has yet happened. Irene said that she would make contact **|AP03IW|.**
	8. Christmas 2019. The Tarvin Community Centre is provisionally booked for 14th December 2019.
9. **Any Other Business:**
	1. **Uniforms**. Elaine advised that she had received a lot of criticism about the uniform at Christmas. Margaret disagreed saying that in her opinion we looked great. Maddy noted that such comments shouldn’t be taken too seriously.
	2. **Feed-back speakers**. Alan asked the meeting to consider using feed-back speakers to help the acoustics. Could we use the karaoke machine to provide feed-back? Margaret noted that the Kelsall acoustics weren’t bad but using Microphones would help.
	3. **Trip to Holland**. Elaine passed on some information from Malen in that she had informally advised her Dutch contact that we would be interested should we receive an invitation. No invitation has been received as yet. We are talking about 17th 18th September 2020.
	4. **Music**. Maddy is standing down as assistant librarian at the AGM, Margrett recorded her agreement to continue.. Around Easter, Margrett wants to fully reorganise the numbering system as with the number of new members the system is stretched. Elaine gave thanks to Maddy on behalf of the Choir.
	5. **AGM**. The AGM was set for 26th February 2019.
	6. **Name Badges**. With the number of new members it was becoming increasingly difficult to know who was who. Margrett agreed to order some reasonably priced lanyards for members to wear.
	7. Alan said that the Karaoke singing at the Opel group had gone so well that was there an opportunity for us to sing at other less formal karaoke type venues?
	8. Alan raised a concern that the prize donated by the Morris dancer – with a value of circa £60.00 had sort of gone unnoticed in any advertising of the lottery.
	9. Web-Site. Alan has run the web site for years and had recently met with Ross with a view to over-hauling it. Alan didn’t see himself as running this – it needs a project manager and Alan would facilitate interaction with Ross.

The next meeting would be held at Elaine’s house on Thursday 7th March at 7:30.