



# Choir Committee Meeting

## Minutes

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021

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**Present** - John Mallinson (chairman), Steve Flynn (secretary)  
Steve Davies (Treasurer), Dorian Kelly (MD), John Middleton,  
Derek Holman, Stephen Broadbent, Fred Sims, Paul Morgan

### 1. Formalities –

#### *Apologies for Absence*

*John Clay*

#### *Approval of Previous Minutes*

Approved – Derek H

Seconded – Stephen B

Chairman

### 2. Correspondence and Matters arising

- The Memorial Bench for Dave Haigh is in place.  
Christine and Family are organising an informal dedication on **September 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm**. All Choir members are invited to attend and drink to Dave's memory at the Club afterwards. The exact location of the bench will be circulated closer to the date.
- The Choir have been invited to sing at a venue in **Shrewsbury in 2022**. The invitation, in principle, has been accepted. A date in June has been suggested but not finalised. When more details are available they will be put to the Choir for a final decision.

### 3. Covid19 Update

- There is a Government press conference tonight (Monday) when more details of potential lockdown easing will be made public.
- Dorian has had recent experience with Saddleworth MVC of outdoor rehearsals. These have worked well and months of Zoom note bashing paid dividends.  
We will investigate a suitable outdoor venue in case Choir's are not permitted to sing indoors – a Plan B.

John  
Mallinson/Fred S

### 4. Zoom Rehearsals

We have made good progress with Heroes, the joint item for the UKES concert.

Dorian



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### 5. Concerts

- Concert arrangements for **Upper Denby on September 3<sup>rd</sup>** are progressing well.
- The UKES concert at the **Town Hall** is taking shape. **Prostate Cancer UK** are our supported charity and will help in publicizing the concert to their supporters.

**Concert Sponsors** are being sought and several have been signed up. We have a great product to sell and approaches to businesses have been well received. Some surprising offers have been received and accepted! If any Choir member has contacts within the local business community who may be interested please communicate them to any member of the committee. Our sponsorship offer is

Two tickets in the Box  
Full/Half page ad in the programme  
Pre concert and interval drinks  
And a Cracking Night Out!

Flyers are available. Please contact Steve F if you want some.

Derek

### 6. Finance

All quiet on the Finance front!

Steve Davies

### 7. Membership

New recruitment flyers will be available when we get back to rehearsals.

Stephen Broadbent

### 8. Website and Choir Communications

The weekly bulletin is read by more than 50 Choir members and is a great communication method.

John Middleton

### 9. Committee Objectives

The lack of Face to Face communication is hampering this important task. A sub-committee of Fred S and Dorian will make a start on this project. Choir members will be circulated and asked to submit any suggestions they think should be considered.

It is important to consider what is Policy and what are Objectives. For instance, voice coaching is considered Policy and what we will naturally do as a Choir. Similarly, Recruitment is another on-going process.

Fred and Dorian  
(initially!)



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Objectives should be things that will add to the Choirs appeal, both to new and existing members. All ideas and suggestions welcome!

### 10. Social Events

Nothing to report.

John Clay

### 11. AOB

None

Chairman

### 12. Date and time of next meeting

Meeting closed 10:21 am.

Chairman

#### Next Meeting

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 7:00pm at New Mill Club!**