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### **Choir Committee Meeting**

### **Minutes**

### Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Present -** John Mallinson (chairman), Steve Flynn (secretary) Derek Holman, John Middleton, Stephen Broadbent, Paul Morgan, Fred Simms

#### 1. Formalities –

Apologies for Absence

John Clay Steve Davies

Approval of Previous Minutes (November)

Approved – John Middleton Seconded – Fred Simms

### 2. Correspondence and Matters arising

a) Parkinson's Choir

The Choir have received a letter from June Tracey asking for support for the Parkinson's Choir rehearsals in Lindley. We will add the request to Tuesday's notices and bring up again in Scarborough.

b) Bob Carrick

After many years with the Choir Bob has decided to retire. His commitment and service to New Mill MVC was noted and we wish Bob all the best in the coming years. We will no doubt see him at concerts in the future and maybe share a beer or two afterwards!

c) Red Lea Covid Protocols

The Choir have received the hotels Covid Protocols which are available to view here .

The main requirement is to have a lateral flow test on Thursday/Friday before the weekend and have the negative result – the plastic test kit – with you when you arrive on Friday evening. We will summarise and advise the Choir of other arrangements at Tuesday's rehearsal.

d) Approach from Thames TV/Britain's Got Talent
The Choir have received a mail from Erika Budd of Thames
TV asking if we will consider auditioning for the show. The
request has been submitted based on video/audio content
on our web. We will canvas opinion at Tuesday's rehearsal
although the timescale is very tight, auditions are at the
London Palladium on 16<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> January!

Chairman

Secretary



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3. Covid19 Update	
Several members have succumbed to Covid over the Christmas/New Year period and this will impact attendance at Scarborough. We wish all members a speedy recovery.	
4. Concerts	Derek
a) Huddersfield Town Hall	
Date confirmed as 8 <sup>th</sup> October.	
We have received a few guest suggestions which will be	Secretary
followed up in the next week	,
b) Penistone paramount – 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	
The Rotary have asked the Choir to perform (again) in Penistone.	
c) New Mill Christmas Concert – 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	
d) Concerts in 2022.	
The committee is looking at the possibility of a further two	
concerts in Spring 2022. More details as things firm up.	
5. Finance	Steve Davies
Online ticket sales for the New Mill Christmas concert have been	
transferred from Try Booking into the Choirs bank account. After	
fees this amounted to £1241.79.	
6. Membership	Stephen Broadbe
Nothing to report.	
	John Middleter /
7. Website and Choir Communications	John Middleton/

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### 8. Committee Objectives

The Choir is still in the process of working through the effects of the pandemic although there is light at the end of the tunnel! A great deal of effort and emotional energy has been spent running rehearsals and concerts, hoping that events wouldn't conspire against us. We lost one Christmas Concert as many events went down the pan. The committee began work in October 2021 on a set of objectives. We were then derailed by Omicron and the uncertainties around our day to day activities.

Fingers crossed, there are signs that the New Year will bring more stability into our arrangements and it's time to look further ahead than a few weeks! The committee will flesh out the October proposals and kickstart the process.

#### For reference -

October proposals, outlined with 1017 Marketing were ...

- To improve the profile of the New Mill Male Voice Choir Note – we have had some success with this. The Thames TV/BGT approach was made on the strength of web content. Some lessons there.
- b. To increase membership among a younger age group
- c. To increase awareness, interest and sales of concerts and events
- d. To secure the future of the New Mill Male Voice Choir

Not easy but we'll give it a crack!

9. Social Events Non to report	John Clay
10. AOB None received	Chairman
11. Date and time of next meeting  Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2022  New Mill Club, 7:00pm	Chairman  Meeting Closed 8:10pm