



Choir Committee Meeting

Minutes

Monday 10th October 2022

Present - John Mallinson (chairman), Steve Flynn (secretary)
Fred Sims, Steve Davies, Derek Holman, Paul Morgan, Stephen Broadbent

1. Formalities –

Apologies for Absence

John Clay, Chris Dempster

Approval of Previous Minutes (September)

Approved – Paul Morgan

Seconded – Fred Sims

Matters arising from previous minutes

None

Chairman

2. Correspondence and Matters arising

a) Rudi's Retreat

Joanne Gibson (Rudi's Retreat) has thanked the Choir for inviting them to sell our programmes at the Willard White concert. They raised an outstanding **£448.28**

- b) Ray Thompson has raised concerns with local councillors and Kirklees about the What's On advertising for our Willard White concert.
Kirklees will be contacted and the issues discussed.

Secretary



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3. Concerts

a) Initial Review of Huddersfield Town Hall concert.

Ticket sales were disappointing but picked up on the night. We will review the financial implications when all the expenditure and income is finalised.

Feedback from the audience has been very positive.

The Choir were delighted that Sir Willard accepted our invitation to join us at New Mill Club. An unforgettable night.

Sir Willard has verbally accepted our invitation to become President of New Mill MVC! An Honorary position. He will not be expected to buy pies.

SF was thanked for producing the programme for the concert.

b) Christmas 2022

I. Penistone Paramount/Rotary, Saturday 10th December.

We are expecting confirmation of concert details from the Rotary. Tickets will be available via the Paramount box office and their web. The Choir will also have tickets for sale.

II. Solenis, Monday December 12th

Concert start time will be 7:00pm

III. New Mill, Friday 16th December

Concert start time is 7:00 pm

Afterglow in New Mill Club.

Tickets will be £10 adults, under 16 free.

Tickets will go on sale shortly via our web.

4. Finance

Steve Davies

- a) Steve Davis presented draft accounts for Year Ending 30th September 2022. As usual, the Town Hall income/expenditure straddles the year end impacts the figures. As of Monday 10th October the Choir had a balance of £17.5k
- b) New Mill Club now operates as a Community Amenity. This status provides beneficial tax advantages for the Club. However, the Club must demonstrate the positive impact made to the community. One such measure is Club Membership! All Choir members will be encouraged to join the Club. Ten Pounds per annum secures full membership with all it's benefits i.e.. The venue is free to hire by Club members, the beer is subsidised, and the Choir get the best rehearsal facilities in Kirklees. For Free!



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<p>5. Membership</p> <p>Owen Holmes has declared his intention to return to rehearsals. We hope he does and will continue to encourage his attendance. Congratulations to all those who made the Town Hall stage for the first time on Saturday evening. Alvin, Rocky, Andy, Steve P and Fred. Members will be encouraged to bring friends and family (Males Only) to our Open Night on Tuesday 18th October.</p>	<p>Stephen Broadbent</p>
<p>6. Website and Choir Communications</p> <p>Steve F and John Middleton intend to roll out the first of our Office 365 licenses shortly.</p> <p>New members 'mug shots' have been added to our web.</p>	<p>John Middleton/SF</p>
<p>7. Social Events</p> <p>Nothing to Report</p>	<p>John Clay</p>
<p>8. AOB</p> <p>a) Rob Coombs has emptied his attic of a great deal of Choir Merch.</p> <p>Does anyone want anything (for free!?). Has anyone a bright idea as to what we do with it all? It includes pens, pencils, notepads, and hundreds of CD's!</p>	
<p>9. Date and time of next meeting</p> <p>Monday 7th November 2022</p> <p>New Mill Club, 7:00pm</p>	<p>Chairman</p> <p>Meeting Closed</p> <p>8:30 pm</p>