

ALTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

**Minutes of the Committee Meeting – 8th December 2016 at The Friends Meeting House,
Alton at 19.00hrs.**

Committee: Ann Foulkes (Chairperson), (AF)
Helen Brown (Minutes Secretary), (HB)
Sue Lawrence (Treasurer), (SL)
Jenny Hallett (Membership Secretary), (JH)
Carolyn Robson (Musical Director), (CR)
Barbara Parry (Publicity officer), (BP)
Pete Stephens (Committee member), (PS)

Item	Discussion	Action / Comments
Apologies	Sue Lawrence	
Minutes of the last Meeting	Approval of the minutes of the committee meeting held on Thursday 20 th October 2016. Proposed by Jenny Hallett, seconded by Carolyn Robson. The minutes were signed.	HB to notify ACC by email that the draft minutes are available.
Matters Arising		
Finance	As at 05.12.16 Charity Fund £607.30 Overseas Fund £469.80 General Funds £8,395.67 Total £9,472.77	
	Carolyn's fee to be paid	<i>(Done 8.12.16 – cheque signed by HB and PS)</i>
	HB holds the cheque book until SL's return in January.	
Membership	Currently 64 members. Waiting list 8.	
	JH asked that members inform her if they planned to leave ACC at the end of term.	HB forwarded email to members 6.12.16
	Discussion re that committee should have members' email addresses	HB & SL currently have them. It would have been useful for CR to have them in preparation for the main concert.
	New folders needed.	Committee approved expenditure. HB to make new 'spine' inserts.
Correspondence	21.11.16 - Card of condolence sent to Wenda Moroney (Chair person Winchester Community Choir)	
AGM	The meeting went smoothly and efficiently.	
	Draft minutes	Approved by committee as ready to go onto web site in draft form. BP to do so.
Recent events	26.11.16 – Watts Gallery (Compton) – Victorian Christmas. 11.30am	Difficult performing outside due to cold and poor acoustics. Early in day – very small audience. (bear in mind if invited again) HB has some photos to send to BP. <i>(done 31.12.16)</i>

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Recent events (cont)	3.12.16 'A Hampshire Winter' concert (Hampshire songs, carols, readings & Mummers Play.)	One of the best! <i>Very</i> positive feedback. Profit of £228, retiring collection £187.21 - £446.00 for charity. Ticket sales, 96.
	4.12.16 – Alton Town Yuletide Festivities – Assembly rooms – indoor market.	Positive feedback from stall-holders etc. Gave festive atmosphere. Few stopped to listen, poor acoustics. Email of thanks received 05.12.16
	4.12.16 – Singing at Gilbert White House Museum.	Lovely atmosphere and acoustics. Small appreciative audience. 4.12.16 – HB received photos (from Angela Owens, volunteer at GWH), forwarded to BP
Forthcoming events	15.12.16 – Performance at Orchard House Start 7.00pm	AF delivered flyers to OH
	End of term 'sing' at 'The Crown', Alton.	
	Possible summer concert at Alton Assembly Rooms.	Currently no further action. Contact Haydn Chappell in New Year.
	Possible visit to Brittany.	Currently on hold – CR to speak with contact in New Year.
	Possible visit to Pertuis	23.10.16. BP & HB met with Pertuis contact Rosemary Bugnet looking to possibility. BP to forward notes to committee. (<i>done 15.12.16</i>) Investigate possible prices – hotels, flights, coach hire. Ascertain interest from choir members.
Website	Will need updating with committee meeting minutes and draft AGM minutes in due course.	
Publicity		Publicity posters & flyers for 'A Hampshire Winter' exceptionally eye-catching – many thanks to BP and especially to Shirley Stephens for the use of her lino-cut design.
AOB	Insufficient time	
Next meeting	Thursday 19 th January, 7.00pm at The Friends Meeting House, Alton	

Minutes submitted by Helen Brown (Minutes Secretary)

Proposed by – Barbara Parry

Seconded by – Pete Stephens