

**ALTON COMMUNITY CHOIR**

**Minutes of the Committee Meeting – 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at The Friends Meeting House, Alton  
at 19.00hrs.**

**Committee:** Gill Moore (Chairman), (GM)  
Helen Brown (Minutes Secretary), (HB)  
Sue Lawrence (Treasurer), (SL)  
Jenny Hallett (Membership Secretary), (JH)  
Carolyn Robson (Musical Director), (CR)  
Robin Sturdy (Committee member), (RS)

<b>Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action / Comments</b>
Apologies	All committee members present.	
Minutes of the last Meeting	Approval of the minutes of the committee meeting held on Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2015. Proposed by Gill Moore and seconded by Jenny Hallett. The minutes were signed.	HB to notify ACC they are available as an attachment if members wish to see them before they are on the website.
Matters Arising	No matters arising	
Finance	Bank Balance at 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2015, £12,267.73. Made up of General Fund, £7,396.98; Charity fund, £503.68; Herborn trip, £4,367.07. Expenses approx £140 for joint choirs day outstanding.	
Membership	Currently 63 members. 2 to join after Easter. 8 or 9 on waiting list.	
	Update of membership data progressing well. 2 sets of data incomplete.	HB to contact those members.
	'Membership' link on website generating unwanted emails.	HB to contact Alison asking her to delete any mention of membership from the website. <i>(Done 27.3.15)</i>
	Suggestion from Julia Burns re having occasional 'welcome' sessions to give new members a chance to get to know ACC. Committee liked the idea and options were discussed.	Julia has volunteered to arrange refreshments and disposable cups. SL to contact 'Meeting House' manager to check re use of kettles. Decided to try a couple of times a term initially, possibly in the social room, depending 'Meeting House' approval. Hopefully the first

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		session will be on 23 <sup>rd</sup> April (1 <sup>st</sup> day after the Easter break) at 19.30hrs. ( <i>Julia approached after practice 26.3.15 – OK with her.</i> )
Correspondence	28.2.15 – email from Gilbert White Museum to GM re singing on 6.12.15	(A show of hands (2.3.15) indicated enough members will be available )
	1.3.15 – email, HB to ACC re Lester Simpson vocal workshop at West End Centre, Aldershot. 9.2.15.	
	2.3.15 – email to GM from Hollyborne Singers re performance of Elijah forwarded to ACC (3.3.15)	
Joint Choirs venture. 21.3.15	A most enjoyable day, all went really well. Emails of thanks received from leaders of guest choirs with suggestion from Stanchester Quire of a visit to them at some time.	
	Attendance; – approx numbers – ACC 30, Stanchester Quire – 20, Phoenix Choir – 15	
	Outstanding expenses; £100 for hire of hall – inclusive of tea and coffee; £37.17 for fruit, biscuits and leaders' meals.	
Future Concerts/Events	25.6 15 – At Wars Command at Waverley Abbey House. <a href="http://www.waverleyabbeyhouse.org.uk">www.waverleyabbeyhouse.org.uk</a>	26.3.15. Email from Emilia Barnett with A4 and A5 posters (can be distributed to ACC – but not externally yet). A page on their website will have link to ACC, 'Combat Stress' and online booking. Currently bookings can be made via the 'Booking Team'.
	4.7.15 – AWC at Alton Community Centre (evening)	Currently no further action.
	12.7.15 Birthday Ceilidh (afternoon/early evening) at Beech Village Hall., Beech near Alton.	3.3.15. HB sent booking form and £100 returnable deposit – invoice received, copies forwarded to committee 5.3.15 for information. £170 to be paid at least 10 working days prior to

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		the event. HB has kept the invoice and copy of original booking form as the booking is in her name.
	16.7.15 Singing at The White Hart, Hollybourne (possibly following singing at 'Orchard House')	CR to contact pub nearer the time. GM to contact 'Orchard House' nearer the time.
	13.8.15 – Summer Social	Currently no further action.
	December 2015 – Summon up the Sun – A show of songs and readings suggested by CR for our winter concert	Suggested Date – Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec at Alton Methodist Church ( <i>GM is shortly to have a meeting with church office staff to check availability</i> ) (No longer practicable to have a concert at Farnham United Reform Church due to closeness in time of the performance at the Gilbert White Museum.
	Sunday 6.12.15 Gilbert White Museum	Enough members have indicated availability.
Proposed trip to Herborn	24.3.15. SL emailed participants with a list of those going and a programme outline. All in hand.	
Publicity	Ask Hollyborne to circulate our information re concerts.	Ask at practice for a volunteer to deal with publicity. ( <i>Barbara Parry kindly volunteered and was invited to the next committee meeting.</i> )
Website	Additional Lyrics and sound files are on the website.	
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	Summer Term Dates – 23rd April to 19 <sup>th</sup> July. Half-term break 28 <sup>th</sup> May.	HB to notify Alison and ask if she could put them on the website.
Next meeting	Thursday 7th May 2015, 7.00pm at The Friends Meeting House, Alton	

Minutes submitted by Helen Brown (Minutes Secretary) 07.05.2015

Proposed by – Sue Lawrence

Seconded by – Gill Moore