

ALTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

**Minutes of the Committee Meeting – 29th January 2015 at The Friends Meeting House, Alton
at 18.45hrs**

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)

Item	Discussion	Action / Comments
Apologies	All committee members present.	
Minutes of the last Meeting	Approval of the minutes of the committee meeting held on Thursday 27 th November 2014. Proposed by Gill Moore and seconded by Jenny Hallett. The minutes were signed.	Approved minutes to go onto website. HB to ask Alison.
Matters Arising	There were no matters arising	
Finance	Bank Balance at 23 rd January 2015 – £13,138.38. Made up of General Fund – £6,977; Charity fund – £355.90 Herborn trip – £5,805.00.	
	Charity balance of £355.90. Made up of Raffles – £239.90; Xmas concert – £98; Collection at White Hart – £18.	
	Xmas Concert – Income (ticket sales) £590. Outgoings – hire of Hall – £120; Guests – £300; Publicity posters – £20; refreshments – £47.	
	CR's invoice for last term was based on £100 per session – it should have been £104.60	The difference will be adjusted at the end of spring term.
	Public Liability Insurance - Renewal due 4th Feb	Renewed. Receipt received.
Membership	Currently 64 members on role with someone to come for a trial session 29.1.15.	
	8 on the waiting list.	
	Membership records are incomplete, some home addresses and phone numbers are missing.	HB to email the relevant members requesting telephone numbers and home addresses

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Correspondence	9.1.15 – email from Pete Stephens re a ceilidh on 2.5.15 and a concert on 8.5.15 being run by ‘Rough Folk’ .	It was agreed that when full details are available they could be circulated to ACC.
	Gill Moore received an email inviting ACC to ‘Choirfest’ at Guildford Sunday 15.3.15.	Further details were obtained. <i>(Insufficient members available to attend.)</i>
Past Concerts/Events	Christmas/Winter concert 6.12.15	The concert went according to plan and was enjoyed by an appreciative audience.
	Singing at Golden Pheasant 18.12.14 was cancelled by Landlord at very short notice.	The venue was rearranged to The White Hart, Holybourne. A very successful evening. ACC were made very welcome and were greatly appreciated by publican and cliental.
Future Concerts/Events	21.3.15 – Joint Choirs venture. Stanchester Quire, Somerset have been invited.	Carolyn to contact another choir – possibly the Phoenix Choir at Bordon, Hampshire.
	25.6 15 – At Wars Command at Waverley Abbey House.	An evening performance leading up to the Armed Forces Day commemorations.
	4.7.15 – AWC at Alton Community Centre (evening)	Sufficient members have indicated their availability.
	12.7.15 Birthday Ceilidh (afternoon) ACC is 15 years old.	ACC members agreed this could be paid for by choir funds. HB to ask Judy Burt if she can make enquiries re availability of Beech Village Hall. <i>(Judy did so – the hall is available and booked provisionally)</i>
	13.8.15 – Summer Social at the home of Judy Burt.	Thanks to Judy for her kind invitation.
	December 2015 – Summon up the Sun – A show of songs and readings suggested by CR for our winter concert	Date/s and place/s to be arranged.
ATTA (Alton Town Twinning Association)	Of those volunteering it was decided to ask Penny Cushing to liaise between ACC and ATTA as she is a member of both organisations.	HB to contact Penny to confirm she is still prepared to be rep. and if so HB to notify John Jones of ATTA of the change. <i>(Penny is willing, HB notified John Jones of the change.)</i>

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	Payment of ATTA membership is overdue.	Penny will deal with the subscription when SL has given her the cheque.
Website	CR asked Alison to add sound files of this term's songs to the website.	Sound files of Shenandoah and Moon River are on the website.
		Minutes of September and October committee meetings are on the website.
	Diary Dates	HB to ask Alison to update with additional dates.
Proposed trip to Herborn	Arrangements are progressing satisfactorily.	Initial payments to hotel and coach company are being made.
AGM	Approval of the draft minutes of AGM for display on web-site.	Agreed. Alison is to be asked to put them on the website under 'Minutes and Constitution'.
AOB	Diary Dates	SL to email forthcoming dates to ACC members.
	End of term pub singing.	There will not be a session this term – hopefully we will be able to return to the White Hart on 16 th July.
	Some ACC members, felt much work had gone into learning material for just one winter concert.	Additional opportunities for performances were discussed.
	NB. Consideration will be given for any invitation to sing provided we are given sufficient warning.	JH to contact Town Hall for information of 'What's On' dates.
	Publicity (newspaper article)	A suitable time for this would be after ACC's return from Germany and could include photos and details of future performances.
Next meeting	Thursday 26 th February 2015 at 7.00pm at The Friends Meeting House, Alton	

Minutes submitted by Helen Brown (Minutes Secretary)

Proposed by – Sue Lawrence

Seconded by – Carolyn Robson