

ALTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

**Minutes of the Fifteenth Annual General Meeting held on
Thursday, 2nd November 2017 at The Friends' Meeting House, Alton at approximately 21.00 hrs.**

The meeting was chaired by Ann Foulkes

Present

Members of the choir, the Committee and Musical Director, Carolyn Robson.
In all 50 people attended.

Apologies

Margaret Wright, Sue Gardner, Alastair Gordon

1. Minutes of AGM held on Thursday 3rd November 2016

Approval of the minutes was proposed by Julia Burns and seconded by Jackie Slack. The minutes were unanimously approved by those at the meeting.

2. Chairman's Report

Ann Foulkes gave a résumé of the events in which ACC had undertaken during the past year. She thanked the committee and others who have contributed to the running of the choir with a special mention to Carolyn Robson, Musical Director. The full report will be available on the Alton Community Choir website.

3. Treasurer's Report and Accounts

(A copy of the accounts was circulated to the membership by email prior to the meeting.)
The accounts for the year 01.09.2016 to 31.08.2017 were presented by the treasurer, Sue Lawrence. There is a surplus for the year of £82.08 giving total assets of £5,108.75 at the year end. Sue proposed that subscriptions should remain unchanged at £96 for the coming year. The accounts were accepted by those at the meeting. The accounts and financial report will be available on the website.

4. To review long-term support for Action Aid

That the long term support of Action Aid was carried unanimously.

5. Recommendation for Charities

To agree the charities to be supported in 2017/18;

- a) The Ark Cancer Charity: proposed by Barbara Parry; seconded by Denise Lovett
- b) Music in Detention: proposed by Joanna Ridout; seconded by Christine Fisher
- c) Age UK: proposed by Sue Lawrence; seconded by Christina Good

It was agreed that we should continue to support Action Aid and to divide the remainder of our charitable funds, collected in the coming year, equally between the three nominated charities.

6. Report on membership

Current membership on role is 62, (maximum number 65) with 1 waiting to join in January. Over time there has been a turnover of between 5 and 10 people a year. Jenny is standing down from the committee. Jenny was thanked for her services as membership secretary.

7. Election of Committee

The committee members were nominated as follows;

- Secretary – Helen Brown: proposed by Sue Lawrence; seconded by Ann Foulkes
- Treasurer – Sue Lawrence: proposed by Helen Brown; seconded by Ann Foulkes
- Membership Secretary – Christina Good: proposed by Jenny Hallett; seconded by Helen Brown
- Publicity Officer – Barbara Parry: proposed by Ann Foulkes; seconded by Sue Lawrence
- Committee Member – Pete Stephens: proposed by Helen Brown; seconded by Ann Foulkes

The five nominees were elected unopposed.

8. AOB

Debbie Vodden spoke briefly about the newly created ACC Facebook page and asked that members 'like' and 'share' where possible.

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Minutes – Helen Brown 2017.11.04

Proposed –

Seconded –

Committee (02.11.2017)

Ann Foulkes – Chairperson
Helen Brown – Secretary
Sue Lawrence – Treasurer
Christina Good – Membership Secretary
Barbara Parry – Publicity
Pete Stephens – Committee member
Carolyn Robson – Musical Director