Lymington Choral Society

Minutes of the Committee Meeting 21 January 2020 7:15pm

LCA Beagley Room

Present	
Shirley Hewitt	Chair
Karen Brett (KB)	Secretary/Assistant Treasurer
Chris Hobby (CH)	Bass Rep
Sheila Hammond (SH)	Membership Sec/Fundraising
Barry Kent	Tenor Rep
Sue Rusling	Alto rep
Nichola Kirby	Treasurer
Ann Lewington	Patrons/ Associate Members
Anne Blacklock	Librarian
Pat Mennie	Co-opted Member
Ex Officio	
Michael Goldthorpe	Musical Director
Apologies for Absence	
Maureen Askin (MA)	Soprano Rep
Jill Hendey	Fundraising
Timothy Rice	Accompanist

 Minutes of the Last Meeting There was one correction to be made to the minutes:

Nichola Kirby was present at the meeting, not absent The minutes were agreed unanimously with this amendment. Proposer Chris Hobby Seconded Barry Kent

2. Matters Arising

4b The video of the Cornwallis Celebration at Milford on Sea is still to be completed. 9b The possibility of performing a concert at Priestlands School has been put on hold.

- 3. Chairman's Report
 - 4. Committee Structure

The Chair again reminded the Committee of the requirement for nominations for replacements for Committee members who were nearing the end of their terms of office. The Chair has prepared a chart which illustrates the timescales for replacements and this was shared with the committee.

Pat Mennie was co opted onto the committee and she has agreed to stand for election as the Chair in October 2020

A person to replace Nichola Kirby as Treasurer is still to be identified Chis Hobby agreed to serve for another year as bass rep.

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Action 1	SH to reissue the chart to committee members
Action 2	All to reconsider and to propose ways forward.

6. New Cupboard

Pat Mennie agreed to project manage the procurement and installation of the new cupboard.

8. Diamond Jubilee Celebration 2021

If we are planning to hold a celebration such as a meal this needs to be booked and planned. Is special fundraising required to sub any costs to members?

Action 3 KB to ask Viv Parsons if she remembers what was done for the last Jubilee.

4. Proposed Rules Update

The update which is required to support on-line banking was passed unanimously. SH reminded the committee that 3 banking signatories will be appointed annually.

Proposer Pat Mennie Seconded Ann Lewington.

5. Musical Director's Report December 2020 – MG has located copies of the Parry Magnificat

May 2021 – MG is considering Rutter Mass of the Children. He will investigate the availability of a children's choir before making a final decision. New Forest Children's choir was proposed as a possibility.

The contribution of the children to the Christmas 2019 concert was discussed. Not enough of the expected children turned up on the day and this left those present feeling vulnerable. There are no parts for children in the 2020 Christmas performance.

MG reported that there will be opportunities to sing in Beethoven's 9th Symphony at St Thomas Church on 14 November 2020. It is being performed by Nova Foresta Classical Players.

6. Treasurer's Report

Nichola Kirby was thanked for her work as treasurer. Nichola requested that for the Music category, Voice or Instrumental is stated. £100 donation was received from Stephen Goldthorpe, Michael's son. A thank you letter has been sent to him.

7. Publicity

There is still a vacancy for the Head of the Publicity Team. It was decided that we would not approach the council about displaying Posters Christmas cards will be sent to Patron and Sponsors in 2020

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Action 4. Ann Lewington, Karen Brett

Action 5. KB to remind Publicity Team Members to start work for the May Concert

8. Librarian's Report

The report was corrected to read 'non-copyright material has been legally duplicated'.

Action 6. MG to send AB the details for ordering the Parry Magnificat.

9. Other Reports

Pat Mennie reported that the Vitre Visit meetings were going well but that we need to be specific on dates.

The Spring Fair will be on 16 May2020.

The Quiz is to be arranged. This is now booked for Friday 13 March at Milford on Sea Church Hall.

10. Any Other Business

It was decided to give a gift to Bill Bonett as a mark of appreciation for his photographing of the choir.

Action 7. SH

Dates for 2021 concerts were discussed. St Thomas Church has been provisionally booked for 15 May and 11 December.

Following the loss of 2 new members after only 1 term it was decided to implement an informal 'Buddy' system for new members.

Action 8. Voice Reps.

11. Date of the next meeting

2 June 2020 19:15