



## Minutes of Committee Meeting

held at Mevagissey Social Club at 7.30pm on 17th January 2017

**PRESENT:** N. Nicholls (NN), G. Hoskins (GH), R. Mitchell (RM), H. Stobart (HS), P. Bowker (PB), S. Lawday (SL), M. Tate (MTa), C. Burnett (CB)

**APOLOGIES:** S. Flavell (SF), P. Vellenoweth (PV), C. Williams (CW), M. Thompson (MTh).

**MINUTES from 15th NOVEMBER:** Proposed MTA, seconded GH

### MATTERS ARISING:

**Riser rails:** quote £300 + VAT - **Action:** CB authorised to proceed, proposed RM, seconded HS.

**Cornish Riviera Box Office:** 17 Christmas tickets sold, £94:66 paid in

**Phone app for website:** MTh investigating - **Action:** MTh to report at next meeting

**Xmas folders:** Distributed, members keeping

### CORRESPONDENCE:

#### Letters Out:

Bill Moore, Alison Harvey (dinner invites)

NAC membership application (reply received)

Mevagissey Harbour Master for quay use (reply received)

Willow Street Car Park for parking concession

Social Club for meeting rooms (reply received)

#### Letters In:

Invites from Away 2 Sing festival; St Endellion Easter Festival; NAC Open Forum - **Action** MTA to post all on noticeboard

Email from Keith Stevenson, asking to present his songs for Choir consideration. **Action:** MTA asked to reply, asking him to send in a selection of his material.

## TREASURER:

**Subs:** As voted at AGM, members will be given option of paying subs by bank standing order at £9 a month over £10 months. - **Action:** GH to notify all members by email and at next practice.

## Christmas concerts:

**Holy Trinity** – Income £335. Expenses £210 (music team, church and choir fee). Proposed by RM, seconded HS, that £125 donated to St Petroc's (who also received £260 from raffle and teas).

**St Andrew's** – Income £675, expenses £155 (music team, flautist, church), leaving £520. Proposed RM, seconded PB that £100 be donated to Mevagissey School, and £210 to Mevagissey Ladies Choir, leaving £210 for choir funds.

**Action:** MT and GH to send letters/and cheques to School and Ladies Choir

**Dinner:** Raised profit of £70.60. Unanimously agreed to refund Steve and Anna Flavell, who had paid but were unable to attend.

Discussion about whether the event should be subsidised but no vote taken as situation did not arise. Views will be sought before next year's event.

## FUND RAISING:

**Action:** PB to write to last year's contributors in advance of new season.

## CONCERTS:

**London Welsh** - Request to sing at RAH is not what it seemed. Invitation is to perform as part of massed choir festival, involving learning new music, much travelling and considerable expense. -

**Action:** recommend that members vote against.

**Launcells:** Hosts have agreed to pay £150 plus half the cost of a coach (£150) making £300

**Ilfracombe/Holsworthy:** **Action:** NN to clarify arrangements with Tony Scarratt and Phil Walter respectively.

**Newchurch IoW:** date of their visit to be confirmed, venue required - **Action:** CB to research

**Feast Week:** **Action:** CB to establish whether FW committee or MMC are to organise

**New concerts:** **Action:** PB to investigate marketing opportunities.

## PUBLICITY:

Nothing to report.

## COMMITTEE:

SF has asked to step down in light of his illness. Nominations for a new vice chairman will be sought at next practice. MTa agreed to continue as Publicity Officer, with particular responsibility

for media, but on the understanding that others will continue to help with posters, programmes, website etc. **Action:** Sec to post nomination form on noticeboard.

## **MEMBERS:**

**Tops** – Ivor Morcom had new scan; Jim Hunkin ill before Christmas

**Seconds** – Paul Horsman attending regularly, seems keen.

**Baritone** – nothing to report

**Bass** – Steve Flavell home, but poorly; Bob Whitaker still unwell; Paul Uzzell signed off and expects to take voice test in next two/three weeks

**Action:** Secretary to ask almoner to send cards to Bob Whitaker and Jim Hunkin and to bring card for Steve Flavell to next practice.

## **MUSIC:**

New music – 'Back to the '60s' introduced since last meeting. Nothing else to report.

## **SOCIAL:**

**Dinner:** Big success **Action:** SL and MTa to book same venue and band for similar time next year.

**Other events:** PB to bring questionnaire results to next practice. GH suggests 'self-entertainment' evening. To be put to choir at practice.

## **EMAIL VOTING:**

Notice posted on noticeboard on 9<sup>th</sup> January giving 28 days' notice of vote.

**AGM DATE:** Proposed GH, seconded RM that we revert to Thursdays. 2017 date will be Thursday 30 November.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**Transport:** CB announced that he will no longer have access to van for equipment transport from end of current year. **Action:** NN to ask members for alternative at next practice.

**Constitution:** **Action:** MTa will review and recommend possible updating to committee.

Meeting closed at 21.58.

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, 21st February 2017.