



## **Minutes from Committee Meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021**

**Apologies:** Robert Myers, Gerry Smith

**Present:** David Andrew, Ian Homewood, Frank Hughes, Barry Nowell

### **Matters arising:**

**Constitution:** DA reported he had agreed with Roger Fieldhouse that the changes to the constitution, resulting from the vote to leave BABS, could be handled by simply striking through all references to BABS membership. Roger will send an amended copy to IH, for upload to the website.

**Liability:** The Ecclesiastical insurance was discussed and deemed to be not really relevant to our chorus. Our requirements are simply 3<sup>rd</sup> party liability, personal accident and damage in transit (for the risers) cover. DA will speak further with his broker. FH has also provided IH with a link to another liability insurer, for comparison. IH to review and report back.

**Zoom:** Agreement that committee members can use the Zoom account for other meetings if they require, subject to booking either with the system set up by IH or by contacting IH direct to block out the date/time.

### **Membership:**

DA raised the requirement to have a Membership Secretary and described the role. Prior to lockdown last year, FH had started putting in place a sub-committee to deal with membership and recruitment. It was agreed that this structure should continue, with a Secretary recruited to lead it. Members of the chorus will be approached to find a volunteer to lead the sub-committee. The Secretary will choose their sub-committee, although some candidates were already identified by FH last year.

### **Venue Search:**

It was agreed that the Temperance Hall is currently the front-runner. DA will contact them towards the end of February, to arrange a meeting in which the fees will be discussed. Either FH or IH will attend that meeting. The committee agreed that returning to the Con Club was not a desirable option.



**Treasurers Update:**

Some members have yet to pay and are being contacted as and when appropriate.

FH believes the % of income allocated to the charity fund should be written into the constitution. It was agreed this would be discussed further once the new venue has been found and costs known.

For clarity, FH will provide a copy of the relevant bank statement(s) whenever an expense report is supplied.

FH raised a question about members' sub's. It was agreed that nothing should be done at the moment, until the venue is finalised. Initially it may be easier to issue a refund if sub's are reduced, as amending the amount collected is a lengthy and difficult process.

**AOB:**

A plan is needed for approaching venues regarding future sing-outs. DA has a list of possible candidates. When a timescale is known, for re-commencing sing-outs, these should be approached.

**Date of next meeting:** Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30pm. The link will be sent closer to the time but will be the same link as used for all rehearsals and committee meetings.