



**Minutes of Wycliffe Choral Society Annual General Meeting
Held at 7.30pm Wednesday 3rd December 2024
At Wycliffe Junior School**

Attendees: Chris Swain (MD), Rosemary Robinson (Chairman), Alan Chambers (Treasurer), Colin Rudall (Minutes), Sam Tolley (Secretary) and 21 fully paid-up members of the Choral Society.

1. Introduction, Welcome and Apologies

Rosemary Robinson welcomed everyone to the 16th annual general meeting of the Choral Society as an independent charitable society.

Apologies were received from Katie Poole, Patrick & Angela Marks, Joy Way and Sarah Farwell.

2. Minutes of the fifteenth AGM held on 28th November 2023

The minutes had been circulated to all members and were approved by those members who had attended the meeting and signed with no amendments.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Musical Director's Report

Chris Swain presented the attached report to the meeting.

5. Chairman's Report

Rosemary Robinson presented the attached report to the meeting.

6. Treasurer's Report and Approval of Accounts

6.1 Alan Chambers presented the attached financial statement to the meeting.

6.2 The Annual accounts being incomplete, it was proposed, seconded by and agreed by a show of hands that the Annual Report and Accounts be approved at an EGM on 28th January, once they are completed and inspected.

Alan told us that concert income has been good, the current year's accounts are in a healthy state and we should break even this year. Gift Aid has yet to be claimed for 23/24.

7. Election of Officers and Committee Members

7.1 Katie Poole and Rosemary Robinson have resigned from the committee. The remaining committee members are willing to stand again.

7.2 It was proposed, seconded and passed by a show of hands that the following members be elected as Officers and Trustees:

- Gill Dickinson Chair
- Alan Chambers Treasurer
- Sam Tolley Secretary
- Colin Rudall Vice Chair

7.3 it was proposed, seconded and passed by a show of hands that the following members be re-elected as committee members:

- Christine Brown Committee Member & librarian
- Geoff Hudson Committee Member
- Sharon Brown Committee Member & librarian

There is space on the committee for up to four more committee members who may be co-opted during the year.

7.4 it was proposed, seconded and passed by a show of hands that Pauline Lindique be elected as a new committee member:

7.5 It was proposed, seconded and passed by a show of hands that the following ex-officio members be re-elected, with thanks for the support they have already given the Society;

- Musical Director Chris Swain
- College liaison Gemma Russell
- Librarian Suzanne Charlton

8. Appointment of Bankers

Alan Chambers, Treasurer is considering changing from CafBank to Lloyds.

9. Appointment of independent inspector of the accounts

Although there is no requirement to have the annual accounts inspected, the committee would like to continue with the practice of an independent inspection. Trevor Bartlett continue to act as our Independent Examiner.

10. Charity Commissioner's compliance

Gill Dickinson, Chairman will submit the Charity Commissioner's Annual Return when it becomes due.

11. Any other business

Peter Hankins reminded us that we previously had two social posts on the committee and asks if they are to be resumed. He has a guide document to assist with planning trips, etc. Rosemary and Sharon responded that uptake was poor for the Brewery lunch and summer party and there was insufficient support to run trips to Stratford and Cardiff.

Geoff Hudson will advise the choir about G & S at the Cotswold Playhouse.

Choir resumes on 7th January 2025, rehearsing St John Passion (new Novello in English).

12. There being no other business, the meeting closed at 2035hrs.