**Kaleidoscope – Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 29th July 2021**

Present: Helen Klich, Josie Wilson, Yvonne Ward, Rupert Feld, Catherine Docherty, Anne Mapley, Ann Smedley

**Restart for Rehearsals**

We are pleased with how well rehearsals are going and that all members are supporting the safety guidelines. Thank you for helping to keep all members as safe as we can. It was felt that everyone attending is really enjoying being back together singing.

The committee discussed **Lateral Flow Tests** and agreed to encourage members to take a test before coming to choir. This is a precaution which will help with the mutual protection of all. These tests are easily available and they free. They can be obtained as follows :-

* Order online and have the test sent to your home. The link is

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

* Order by phoning 119
* collect tests from a pharmacy

We are aware that some Lichfield supermarkets (Tesco & the Coop etc) also have tests

* collect tests from a community centre, such as a library
* get a test at a site (there has been a mobile one on the Lichfield Coop car park)

We would like to thank Rupert & Yvonne. They are opening the hall, setting up, clearing away and cleaning key areas before and after rehearsal, so, although other Committee members are contributing, Rupert & Yvonne are bearing the brunt of the work to facilitate safe rehearsals.

**Members**

We recognise that for those members who may not have returned each will have individual reasons for not doing so.

We agreed that at the end of August we will contact members who have not yet returned, without any pressure, to ascertain if there is any more we can do to support their return.

**Accounts**

We will be asking members who have returned to rehearsal to pay subs from September

**Summer Break**

There will not be rehearsals on :-

August 18th

September 22nd

**Music**

Please ask if you need to go over any music, even pieces we may have had in the repertoire for a while. Rupert is more than happy to go over notes and rhythms (and where we have learnt by ear, words).

**Anne M** will pursue a licence for ‘The Carnival is Over’

We are currently learning ‘Skyfall ‘ and Rupert will be making some minor changes.

**AGM**

We decided it would be best to wait until January for a full AGM

**Pound Square**

The Committee discussed the Pound Square and had concerns about infection control if cash was changing hands. So, we will postpone resumption of the Pound Square for now.

**Concerts**

As we are going to be starting Christmas music soon, we will plan on holding a Family and Friends event in December for the benefit of the Dementia Café (the charity adopted at AGM in 2020). This will be dependent on any developments in COVID safety.

**Next meeting**

 Monday August 23rd 7.30 pm at Anne M’s house

**Dates for your Diary**

**Wednesday August 18th – NO REHEARSAL**

**Wednesday September 22nd – NO REHEARSAL**