**Kaleidoscope – Minutes of Committee Meeting 27th February 2023**

Present: Rupert Feld, Anne Mapley, Josie Wilson, Yvonne Ward, Helen Klich

Apologies: Catherine Docherty, Lynne Walsh

1. arch. The Committee considered this affordable and after 11 years at the same rate quite reasonable. **Anne** will reply to the hall accepting the change.

Although the Beavers are in the hall it can be quite cold on arrival. The Beavers are happy for us to open up/enter from 7.30 pm and boost the heating. We can then start to set-up.

Could members therefore please **arrive between 7.30 and 7.40** with the aim of starting warm-up at 7.45.

1. **Music**

The aim is to polish a few pieces ready for events in February & March. We will work on ‘Here There’ as well.

After that Rupert may introduce new pieces. **Rupert** will look for an arrangement of ‘The Jumblies’, another nonsense poem by Edward Lear to complement ‘The Owl and the Pussycat’

1. **Christmas Events**

**Family & Friends Evening**

We were pleased that our audience enjoyed this. The final profit is £70.76 as being a Sunday we had hall hire costs to take into account.

**Fairytale of Lichfield**

A big thank you from Rupert and the Committee to all members for their contribution helping on the evening so cheerfully and effectively and supporting extra rehearsals.

We discussed concerns about Half-Circle commitment and lack of rehearsal. We felt it may not be appropriate to invite them to collaborate in an event in the future.

We were pleased that the audience so obviously enjoyed the concert and Rupert was thrilled with our pieces and the joint choral pieces.

We made a profit to date of £307 plus about £80 refund we will be receiving against our PRS deposit.

1. **2023 Events**

**Monday February 13th – Townswomen’s Guild 10th Celebration**

This is at the George Hotel in Lichfield

We will sing at 7.30 pm for 40-45 minutes.

Please arrive at 6.45

Uniform is our usual black with turquoise

We have a green room upstairs in the ‘Johnson Room’. This will be locked while we are singing.

As we are only singing for 45 minutes, we will not have chairs. **Yvonne** has agreed to compere

**Anne** to transport the keyboard, stand, amp, cable bag and microphone

Folders will be handed out at rehearsal on 8th February

We are invited to join the Guild members for cake, coffee, or something stronger, after we have sung.

**Saturday March 4th – St Peters Church Stonnall**

This will be 2 x 40min sets.

We will have our rehearsal on March 1st at the church

**Future 2023 Events**

We will ask **Lynne** to follow up Lichfield Fuse and any other suitable Lichfield Arts events

**Anne** to investigate possible venues for another Christmas event, although we felt the Guildhall was possibly still a good fit. We discussed a collaboration again but possibly with Inspire led by Ruairi Edwards.

**Anne** to contact the Hub at St Mary’s for dates and costs etc for a summer Kaleidoscope concert

**Anne** to contact Whittington Village Hall for Saturday dates for a potential workshop, possibly led by Ruairi Edwards

1. **Lichfield Memory Café**

We will have raised nearly £1000 for the memory Café over the year, £636 from concerts. **Anne** will contact the leader to arrange a visit and handover of a cheque

1. **New members**

We discussed recruiting new members and will carry this forward to our next meeting

1. **Rehearsal March 29th**

Sue has agreed to lead this rehearsal while Rupert is on holiday

1. **AGM**

This will be held in the 1st half of the February 15th Rehearsal

1. **Website**

**Anne** will add the privacy statement, as agreed by the Committee, to the website.

It was agreed **Rupert & Anne** will redevelop the site

**Lynne** will ask her brother-in-law to take photos for publicity.

1. **Next Committee Meeting**

Next committee meeting Monday 27th February at Rupert’s

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Monday 13th February 2023 7.30 pm – George Hotel for the Townswomen Guild 10th Birthday**

**NOTE – arrival 6.45 pm and should be finished by 8.30**

**Wednesday February 15th – AGM during 1st half of rehearsal**

**Wednesday 1st March 7.45 pm – Rehearsal at St Peters Church, Stonnall**

**Saturday 4th March 2023, 7.30 pm – Concert at St Peters Church, Stonnall**