

Committee Meeting Minutes

Feb 2026

Members: Marian has not attended for some time but the committee are monitoring the situation, via Sue, and we hope she will rejoin us when she feels able.

It was lovely to see Pat back.

The music folder clear out was a good exercise and positively received by members.

Digital Update: Stella has produced an action plan for good content building, covering things such as ‘behind the scenes at rehearsal’, ‘fun music facts’ and ‘spotlight on a member’ for example. If you feel you could get involved in our promotion in anyway on facebook/instagram please discuss it with Stella. Please always share our posts. Early comment on our posts is advantageous.

Recruitment Campaign: Stella has also produced an online recruitment campaign to tie in with our flyers. Anne has printed some of our promotional posters, please distribute these as widely as possible, especially in the Whittington Area and surrounding villages.

Anne has liaised with Lichfield Radio who have already broadcast an article about us .

<https://lichfieldradio.org/kaleidoscope-choir-seeks-sopranos> and she will be contacting Lichfield Live.

We will be holding a 'bring a friend' night on 24 June 2026 at our usual rehearsal. We will promote this at our concerts in April, May and June.

If you can get involved with this or any of our ongoing recruitment plans please talk to Stella or Anne.

Insurance: The policy is due for renewal on 5 April. Lynne and Yvonne will get together to source alternative quotes and to transfer the contact details to Lynne.

AGM: We have received a nomination for a new committee member. Yvonne reiterated her desire to step down from Committee and a lengthy discussion was held about who would be the new treasurer resulting in Catherine volunteering. Thank you Catherine. Anne Mapley will assume the role of Secretary. Thank you Anne.

Yvonne and Rupert will continue to be the point of contact for TicketSource concert promotion and ticket sales.

Lynne thanked Yvonne for her many years of service.

Lynne will get flowers for Sue and Jo.

Cheque Presentation: Yvonne will email the choir about the timing of the presentation and what to wear.

Memory Cafe: Cheryl will liaise with the choir to check on our availability for new suggested dates in May at Tamworth. Yvonne will let Penny Beddows know that Cheryl is now the point of contact. The committee agreed 10th December for the Lichfield Memory Cafe. Yvonne will let Penny know.

Stonnall Concert: The Stonnall Concert will now take place on Saturday 18th April at 7.30pm at St Peter's Church with a rehearsal on Wednesday 15th April, also in the church. Fee, if any, to be agreed.

Strawberry Tea Concert: 20th June in St Giles Church, Whittington. Yvonne to pass contact details to Anne. We are still to establish whether sufficient cutlery/crockery is available in the church itself or whether we still need to maintain the booking of the Thomas Spencer Hall at the same time. We also need to book the church for our rehearsal on Wednesday 17th June.

Members will be asked to provide cakes/ scones/ strawberries etc.

We will explore the possible use of outside Gazebos nearer the time.

Helen Memorial: Lynne, Anne and Yvonne visited the churchyard in Fradley and the nearby Watersmeet site. Lynne is still keen to pursue the planting of a tree in the wildlife area of the churchyard and will contact Elizabeth Wall to continue.

Workshop: Lynne has been in touch with Cathy Lamb to suggest she ‘take’ our rehearsal on 22 April 2026. Lynne is still to receive confirmation so watch this space.

AOB: Rupert has been approached to perform at the Alrewas Festival. He would like a large part of the concert to be Kaleidoscope Choir and to this end he chose Wednesday 26th August at 7.30 for two 45 minute slots. Unfortunately several of the Committee were unable to attend so Rupert will go back to the organisers to rearrange for Thursday 27th instead. If you already know you wouldn’t be able to attend on Thursday let a committee member know asap.

Rupert has purchased alternative lapel mics which we hope will work better than the previous ones.

Next Meeting 23 March at Lynne’s.

