



Canterbury Cantata Trust

AGM 2017 Minutes

24 January 2017

Time: 7pm

Venue: St Paul's Church, Canterbury

Present: Roshna Ahmad (RA): Chair
Joanna Heath (RA): Vice-Chair and Treasurer
Laurence Green (LG): Trustee
Matthew Shipton (MS): Trustee
Loris Clements (LC): Trustee (Minutes)
Grenville Hancox (GH): Artistic and Musical Director
Members

Apologies: Blair Gulland (Trustee)
Wendy Le-Las (Trustee)

1. Previous minutes

There were no previous minutes to approve since this was the Trust's first formal AGM since incorporation.

2. Matters arising

N/A

3. Chair's Report (RA)

RA provided a report of recent activity, expanding on the items included in the January 2017 Members' Newsletter (attached). Thanks were given to all those who have supported the Trust and individual singing groups through their membership, assistance with organisation, word of mouth and donations.

4. Finance Update (JH)

JH provide an overview of the Trust's finances for the year Dec 2015-Dec 2016 (attached).

RA thanked JH for her support with the accounts. It is a priority for the Trust to engage further professional accountancy support this year.

5. Future Plans (GH)

The collaboration with Aldeburgh Music is developing, with a training session for Skylarks/Sing to Beat Parkinson's facilitators happening in late January 2017. 35 new facilitators will be trained – resulting in a possible 35 new groups.

The aim for Aldeburgh Music is to become a 'mother-ship' for activities related to music and health by 2022.

Medway Skylarks/Sing to Beat Parkinsons was established in January 2017, with funding awarded by Kent Community Foundation. The group will be part of a research project and focusses on people with neurological conditions (including Parkinson's). A key focus for the research project will be the impact of singing on vocal strength.

Skylarks/Sing to Beat Parkinson's – more Kent-based singing groups are now coming under the Trust's umbrella, and are largely self-funding.

GH thanked the Co-Directors of the CCT singing groups, Kerry (Amici) Emily (Cantata) and Phil (Monday Music) who directed them during his absence in 2016.

GH thanked all members involved in the 21 January CCT celebration. This was a very successful afternoon (a highlight was the Mayor of Canterbury dancing the Charleston) and is seen as a template for future events.

6. AOB

None raised.

7. Date of next meeting.

January 2018 – details tbc



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