**Guildford Vox Committee Zoom Meeting – Minutes**

**Wednesday March 31st 7.30.p.m.**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Agenda Items** | | | |
| 1. **Present:** | | | |
| Chris Clarke | Mark Dunham | Eileen Griffiths | |
| Briony Hancock | Janet Thomson | Ben Thomas | |
| David Stokes | Geoff Whitehouse | Ann Tabbush (for item 2 only) | |
| Phil Chappell (for item 2 only) |  |  | |
| 1. **Proposed Video** | | |  |
| As sufficient choir members had volunteered to take part, it was decided to go ahead with the video recording. After much discussion, the song ‘Haul Away Joe’ was chosen, but it was suggested that we ask choir members to submit alternative lyrics to fit the current situation. Technical information (expressed in simple terms), will be sent to participants. | | |  |
| 1. **Apologies for absence** | | |  |
| There were no apologies, as all committee members attended. | | |  |
| 1. **Approval of minutes of last meeting** | | |  |
| The minutes of last meeting were approved as a true record | | |  |
| 1. **Matters arising** | | |  |
| Change to email system - Eileen had not yet moved the email system to Mailchimp.  Meeting outdoors for choir – discussed further at agenda item 8. | | |  |
| 1. **Chairperson’s report/review of current situation** | | |  |
| Chris reported that she was already being contacted by charities requesting live performances from choir, but as we are not yet able to take part, will contact them next year. £82.14 had been paid for the Web hosting and Domain. Chris thanked Geoff for his work on the accounts, Ben for social media updates; Mark for website updates and Eileen for maintaining the email system. Additionally, she expressed sincere thanks to Anna for her excellent rehearsal videos. | | |  |
| 1. **Current Finances/ Donations from members** | | |  |
| Geoff reported that subscriptions from choir members were helping to ‘keep us afloat’. There was a small surplus of £383.00 resulting from choir members’ generous donations for the Spring Term. This went some way to recovering the deficit of £534.00 earlier in the year. | | |  |
| 1. **Thoughts on the return to ‘normal choir’ in Holy Trinity Rooms** | | |  |
| Consideration was given to the potential date of our return, the type of venue that might be available and the potential continued restrictions regarding social distancing. As we were also unclear as to how many choir members would want to return to face to face meetings, it was decided to send a survey link that had been provided by the ‘Making Music’ organisation. Geoff will send Eileen the link and she will email it to members asking them to respond by 19th April. Collated responses will then be made available to the committee and inform decisions on reopening. | | |  |
| 1. **Term Dates** | | |  |
| Term dates were accepted and will be posted on the website. | | |  |