

# Norfolk Community Choir Network

**Minutes** of meeting held on 15 August 2021 from 2.00pm by Zoom

## 1. Present/Apologies

**Present:** Sue Lane (SL), Linda Roast (LR), Sue Kennedy (SK), (Teresa Verney TV)

**Apologies:** Tony Langford (TL), Wendy Seale (WS), Mike Yarde (MY) Suzanne Williams (SW)

## 2. Notice of any other business.

None

## 3. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

Minutes of the Zoom meeting that took place on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Agreement has been postponed to next meeting, as only Sue Lane (attending) was present at the last meeting.

## 4. New Committee member

Mike Yarde has offered to be on the NCCN committee. SK proposed that Mike Yarde be accepted as a new committee member, LR seconded. All agreed.

## 5. New Choir Membership

Viva Voices have asked to become members. Previously Viva Vice's secretary expressed the wish for their choir to join but this was later revoked by the choir leader. SL to send Viva Voices a new membership form by email. The committee confirmed that the £200 Covid payment was a one off payment offered in 2020 and should not be granted retrospectively to choirs which were not registered members of Sing Norfolk at that time. SL to ask Jane Wells, the former NCC Secretary, if she has a NCCN membership form.

## 6. Finances

### Treasurers Report

Nothing has changed with the finances since the AGM meeting on 27.6.2021. Bank Balance remains at £4079.41. Bank Forms were sent in the post by Tony Langford, the New Treasurer, to SL and LR to have the signatories updated. The forms are now with TL.

### Money Reserve adjustment

It was agreed by those present to postpone this agenda item until the next meeting.

## 7. Website

LR to contact Shelly Telly to change from Contact Form email from Jane Wells to SL. Any further updates to be done in the new year when choirs should have started up and new photos and information may be necessary.

## 8. Future Plans

An idea had been proposed to have a outside singing event in 2022 – SL suggested that this needs to be thought about now. TV stated that she felt a lot of singers were frightened to go back to

singing because of Covid. Singers who want to come back may be happy to sing outdoors but this won't be everyone. Choir memberships have reduced dramatically. SK commented that if the format was similar to other ChoirFests, member choirs would have to rehearse outdoors but they do not usually meet in the Summer, and Autumn and Winter weather would be prohibitive for outdoor rehearsals. Not sure whether ChoirFest could be just a social thing. LR suggested a venue that might work would be Swanton Morley village hall with additional marquees for outdoor events. Decision postponed to next meeting.

## **9. Meeting Venue**

SL suggested that the Committee start meeting at Dereham again with a Zoom link to any person who did not wish to be there in person. LR to check with Jane Wells whether they have an internet connection there.

## **10. AOB**

None

## **11. Next meeting date and time**

The next meeting was fixed for Sunday 9 January 2pm either at Dereham with Zoom connections for others not able to meet in person or totally via Zoom  
All member choirs to be invited by SL.