



The Wellbeing Community Choir

Annual General Meeting

12th May 2025

The meeting was held via zoom. The meeting was represented by members of the choir, management and leadership Teams.

The meeting was Chaired by Sharon Duffy, Chair of the Wellbeing Community Choir.

The meeting was opened by the Chair and attendees welcomed and thanked for participation. Thanks was also shown for the dedication and support of the Management and Leadership teams for their input in ensuring the smooth running of the choir.

Key items were noted including:

- the success of the inaugural summer concert held at St Andrews Church, the new setting for the Chelmsley branch.
- the building up of the choir reputation through various performances throughout the year including care homes and the Fifty + festival at Sutton Coldfield Town Hall
- the raising of the profile at Chelmsley through attendance at one of the rehearsals by the Mayor of Solihull
- membership of the choir was acknowledged as being strong and stable across all 3 Choir groups
- the use of Sum Up machines had proved popular allowing members to pay subs by card, although some members preferred using cash. This combination allowed flexibility of payment to suit individual preference.

- The role of social media and how the choir profile had been raised and new members coming to choir after seeing us through the website, Facebook and Instagram.

Thanks was shown to Kelly Kemp from Sutton branch for her input in developing and monitoring these accounts.

Financial Statement

Keely Anne Evans, Choir Treasurer gave a statement of the breakdown of the choir finances and gave assurance that the funds were in good order and savings had been due to successful funding applications. Separate financial statement is available on the choir website.

The meeting was advised by choir member Richard Hawkin that opportunities for application for further funding was available through the Sutton Neighbourhood Network and Keely was following this up.

Additional Items to note

- Sue Smart, Trust Secretary has been diligent in delivering and monitoring choir correspondence and keeping the data base updated. Sue informed the meeting that we currently had 120 members across the 3 choirs and were getting lots of enquiries re membership. Her input has made a huge input into the delivery of choir business.
- Martin Trotman, Musical Director gave his appreciation for the support of those who help with the smooth running of the choir, including Sonia who supports Bourneville Gardens and Sue who assists at Sutton.

Special thanks and appreciation was given to choir members for their loyalty and making choir so enjoyable and rewarding.

Notes compiled by Sharon Duffy