



**Committee Meeting Minutes: Tuesday 16th December, 8pm
Meeting Room South Woodham Ferrers Village Hall**

Time	Present IL, PW, HP, RS, LM, CG	Action
8-00	1. Apologies for absence: JTW, KM	
8-02	2. Minutes of previous meeting were approved	
8-05	3. Actions : RS to update on Museum of Power opportunity - still awaited IL to provide list of members / numbers for 100 club to PW for circulation, IL will circulate a word doc file as having problems making pdfs JTW / HP to arrange for new photo from sponsor for advertising - not yet obtained JTW to design new recruitment poster / leaflet , no update RS to supply treasurers job description to secretary - done LM to supply JTW with sign on sheets for March / April concerts - done JTW to put sign on sheets on website - no update LM to update us on discussions for arrangements for April concert with all parties (see below) LM and PW to stress importance of attending rehearsals before concerts - done PW to set up choir WhatsApp group - done. CG expressed concern that the group was becoming a bit too chatty and suggested we keep it to an update group, committee agreed. Roger and Barry are the only active members who are not in the group.	RS IL HP JTW JTW PW

8-20	4. Concerts 20th Dec - Lennox Charity Christmas Concert, Chelmsford Cathedral. Report by 2-15 CG to contact Danbury Mission in new year. 2026 plans: March 21st Burnham on Crouch April, 24th Joint concert with Chelmsford MVC, Salvation Army Hall - SA band confirmed and financial arrangements with SA confirmed, £500 plus share of profit. No response from CMVC re band involvement. Logistics not confirmed yet. May, No concerts planned, JTW away June, ?Choir blast (not heard yet) and Hurdlemakers Arms July, Purleigh Church - this is looking increasingly unlikely August ?Museum of Power September 4th or 11th Billericey Theatre. There was confusion on this as HP reported JTW had told him it would be 18th or 25th with no accompanist. October 2nd SWF Beer Festival October Blackmore Church Harvest Festival, date / invite uncertain October 17th SWF VH ? 2027 plans 12th March Lunchtime concert, St. John's Danbury	CG LM JTW
8-35	5. Music Report JTW had sent PW a short music report : For the new year we will start Anthem. This delayed while we learned our Xmas songs! Overall I think we are set for our Xmas concert. It all comes down to the guys delivery a performance - even if there are a few bum notes here are there Attendance has been a bit up and down - health and work it seems. We'll need to encourage everyone to attend regularly in the new year. RS felt the Jason rehearsal last month had gone well. The committee wants to understand the intellectual property rights of the music JTW has arranged for us, if JTW left the choir what impact would it have on the choir using the scores? The committee want John to confirm if there will be a new backing track and practice track for Anthem as this was promised earlier in the year	JTW JTW
8-45	6. Financial Update. • RS had circulated papers in advance which suggested the choir would break even for 2025 • RS presented a review remuneration given for MD and accompanists. The committee would like to pay our MD and accompanists more but our income cannot support this at present. For future discussion.	
8-55	7. Actions for Recruitment To discuss joint concerts with schools in new year.	

9-00	8. Website JTW - I think the website is in good shape, and will be updating it during the next few days	
9-10	9. Social Media and Publicity JTW - Social media is still be supported by Chloe who is still keen to be involved. In the new year I'll make sure I'm in closer contact to keep things moving	
9-20	10. Social Pre-Christmas meal was very successful Possible Annual Dinner with wives in February. HP to arrange this Boat trip from Paper Mill Lock ?June HP to arrange this BBQ ?August TBC ?Maldon Ghost Walk in 2026 ?CG to organise, discuss next year ?Race night in village hall in 2026, no update	
9-40	11. Membership HP reported that Sean is currently unwell and unable to attend rehearsals. No other changes	
9-50	12. AOB None	
	13. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 20th January, 2026	