MINUTES OF HRS COMMITTEE MEETING Z33
Tuesday June 18th 2024 at 7.15pm by Zoom

Present : Penny Smith (chair), Pippa Belas, Jean Campbell (vice chair & publicity), Andy Cordery (treasurer) Helen Hooker (musical director), Franceska Dante. Angie Jones (concert manager). Alison Raines.

Apologies : Angela Barnes

1. Minutes of Z32 May 3rd 2024 were agreed.

2. Matters arising : none that would not be covered by the agenda.

3. Festival of Chichester Concert June 28th

1. We had all received the concert planning document.
2. On the day, Pippa and Andy would be i/c tickets from 7pm-7.25pm.
3. The Mayor, Mrs Sarah Quail, would arrive at 7.15. Her office would let us know if she would be using the mayoral car or driving herself. In the latter case, we would reserve a parking space for her. Penny would meet and greet, introduce her to Helen and show her to her front row seat.
4. The church would provide interval refreshments. We would only need to supply milk and biscuits for own rehearsal break.
5. There might be one or two players unable to attend, but this would be known before the day so that seating could be adjusted as necessary.

4. Concerts in 2025

1. We discussed the possibility of a concert at Liss in February.
2. We also discussed the possibility of returning to St George's Whyke for the Festival of Chichester 2025.
3. Both these items would be pursued and decisions taken at a future meeting.

5. Open Playing Day September 13th 2024

1. We agreed that publicity should start asap after the forthcoming concert.
2. Helen would decide the programme which could include :
    1. Steve Marshall's Rhapsody for Bassoon and Recorder Orchestra, with Nick Epton on bassoon
    2. A Mozart overture e.g. The Magic Flute
    3. A piece by Stephen Watkins or Dietrich Schnabel
    4. An 8-foot piece i.e. tenor downwards.

At this point the Zoom time limit was reached and because it proved impossible to set up another link easily, the meeting was abandoned with apologies from Penny. (There had also been difficulties at the very start).

Jean Campbell
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Other items of information that would have been addressed :

1. A photographer from the Chichester Camera Club would be present to take photos.

2. It was hoped that members of the Chichester Ukrainian Volya Choir would come along as guests, possibly with children.
3. Sophie Middleditch and (hopefully) David Pollock would be in the audience, along with Helen's parents.
4. The Chichester Observer was expected to carry a substantial article next week about the Festival concert with a photo of Steve and his own words about *Three Paintings by Millais.*
5. At the point of disruption, we had just begun a discussion about subscriptions. It would have been brought to the attention of Committee that the section about subscriptions in the Constitution was seriously out of date and needed revision. This item will now appear on a future agenda.
6. The diary for 2025 had been sent out. Any matters for discussion arising from it will appear on a future agenda.

Date of next meeting
Penny will consult about this in due course.

With apologies again for circumstances beyond control which hampered the start of the meeting and prevented its continuation into a second half.