

**PHILHARMONIC CHOIR OF MANCHESTER.**  
**AGM. 2015**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Oct. St. Paul's Church.**

**PRESENT:** Approximately 28 members attended, though not all may have signed the register.

**APOLOGIES:** Nicole Alkemade, Judy Watson, Clare Edwards, Liz. Wright, Steve Disley, Sylvia Irvine, Keith Platts, Julie Watson.

**MINUTES OF MEETING AGM 2014** were accepted.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.**

Paul introduced the meeting. He discussed the move from the hall to the church for rehearsals. Members had not been comfortable in the hall. Therefore rehearsal time in the church has been reduced. This has affected members' social time but reduced the cost of rent. Paul continued, the committee has agreed that subs. must be increased. From £85.00 pa. to £105.00pa. the members preferring to pay by term will pay £40.00 for each term x 3.

He emphasised the need for members to encourage friends to join the choir. A "bring a friend" time will be on **November 10<sup>th</sup>**.

The subs. include hire of music. All member should aim to buy three tickets per concert. To break even we need 40 members.

**MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT.**

Aidan spoke of a "great" 2014-015 season. The choir music must attract the audience. He briefly, discussed the cost of soloists and instrumentalists. "The strings were very good,"

Aidan thanked the committee, Angela for her patience and Andy C.J.

He re-iterated that we need more members and bigger audiences.

**TREASURERS REPORT.**

Andy informed members the year for finance is 1st September -31st August. Subs. should be paid "up front" if possible. Average attendance has been 37. It is less now. Members gift aid is of benefit. Also a coffee morning held last year. Andy said raffles must continue. The spring concert with soloists and strings who though paid, cost less than RNCM rate Andy asked for help with the accounts, from a person with suitable experience.

**QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS.**

Hannah Roberts spoke re the increase in subs. She regards this as reasonable- compared with other choirs and activities. Deidre Lewis, Helen Jackson, and others agreed.

Nigel Rose asked that the choir sing modern music, Margaret replied Chilcot's " Little Jazz Mass" will be sung - Summer concert 2016

**COMMITTEE VACANCIES.**

Publicity.& Choir Concert Secretary.

Rachel Mortimer has offered to replace Alison as Alto Rep.

Nigel Rose will help Andy T. with accounts.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm

**Date/time of next committee meeting. 3rd. Nov. 6.30pm.**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS.**

Chairman	Paul Bradbury
Secretary	Teresa Ankers
Treasurer	Andy Tabron
Librarian	Angela Robert
Choir Membership Secretary	Margaret Eastwood
Soprano Rep.	Annalisa Faenza
Alto Rep.	Rachel Mortimer
Ten./Bass Rep.	Ray Hignett
Andy Condliffe-Jones	Accompanist
webmaster. Vacant	

**Subs.** £105.00pa. £40. Per term. - Agreed by committee.

Teresa.