**Ipswich Hospital Community Choir**

**Extraordinary Committee meeting minutes**

**22nd November 2022 at 7.30pm at Phil’s house**

**Marking our 10th Anniversary - Concert**

* **Confirmation of new date-** The confirmed date is 22nd April.
* **Programme – songs, timings, joint songs** NC shared the provisional list of songs from the last meeting and it was agreed that this was the basis of a good programme. He will write a new arrangement for Rule the World. **NC** has not met with VT yet but will before publishing the Spring Term schedule. The genre of music to suggest to VT was discussed.
* **Venue – position of choir/ orchestra –** The concert will be at St Peter’s At The Waterfront. We will stand at the front with the orchestra raised behind us.
* **Ticket sales –** **FH** will contact MP to ask for further details She will copy VM in as event coordinator. **PR** will look at existing tickets for the venue to get design ideas. We want the choir logo and charity logos to feature on the tickets.
* **Other participants if any –** We have enough material between the choir and orchestra so we will not include anyone else.
* **Compere – IF** will check to see if NF has any suggestions.
* **Charity –** It was suggested that the proceeds would be split between the Hospital Children’s Charity Appeal and Jess Grant Celebration. We will need to check that JGC is an acceptable cause to support. **FH** will check with MP. **IF** will check with the hospital charity coordinator.
* **Raffle -** We will have a raffle on the night to further benefit the charities. **SN** will coordinate this and procure worthwhile prizes from local firms/ restaurants.

**Marking our 10th anniversary - Social event**

* **Confirmation of date and venue –** The event will take place on 14th January 2023. It will run from 7-11pm at the Ipswich and District Indoor Bowls Club. There is a twenty pound charge for the hall with a bar. The buffet costs £10 and it was decided that this is the figure that we will charge guests. **PR** will liaise with the venue when final numbers are known.
* **Invites –style, when to send out – IF** will send out the invitations in the near future. The £10 will be paid in to the choir account. **DI** will keep the list of RSVPs. **FH** will check payments. **PR** will send the amended contact list to DI/FH. Guests will be asked to respond by 31/12/22.
* **Introduction – NC** will compose a short introduction to the evening and send it to IF for approval.
* **Joint songs – choice and projection of words** The venue will provide the projector. **NC** will prepare the words for a sing-along to Colour My World, I’m Alive, A Kind Of Magic and Together in Electric Dreams. The singing part of the evening will start off by the existing choir singing Super Trouper to the past members.
* **Projection of photos** **PR** will ask the existing members to send him photos taken at choir events and will use these, and gallery photos, to make a rolling programme of nostalgic photos. He will need the photos by 09/12/22.
* **Quiz – questions, tie breaker, team size, marking, prizes DI –** Questions based on events during the last ten years. Guests to get in to teams of 6 max. Have a tie breaker ready in case. The committee will help to mark. Prize will be a box of Celebrations.
* **Awards –** We will not go ahead with this idea.

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* **St Mary-le-Tower –** Thirty seats will be reserved for the choir at this service. The organist will accompany us for Hark the Herald Angels Sing. We will have a practice at 1.30pm. A copy of the order of service will be sent to VM.
* **Request to sing –** We have been invited to sing during the day on a weekday. Due to the number of members who work, we will always refuse these invitations.
* **PR** will set up a poll for the April concert.

**The next meeting is on 6th December, after the volunteers’ party, in Ian’s office.**