



Sherborne Town Band Committee

Minutes for 24th August 2016

Present: Richard Frost, John Derrick, Joe Miles, Natalie Miles, Ian Miles, Sean Beechey, Andrea Beechey, Kevin Long

Apologies: Alan Derrick

Matters Arising:

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as a true record.

Arrangements for the Proms concert; Richard Frost to be front of house, Sean Beechey to arrange helpers for teas and coffee, Joe has ordered some more decorations.

Natalie to order some more black ties.

Ian Miles and Sean Beechey to sort out some instruments for the Sherborne Primary school.

Correspondence:

The band has been booked for 11th December for the Methodist church Christmas tree festival.

Timings have been confirmed for the Catholic church fete on 10th September.

The band has received extra money from the Castle Country Fair.

Treasurers Report:

Youth band account is running low, the committee would like to see what happens in September with the new intake of Youth band members before making further plans. It was decided that the Chairman and Sean Beechey would have a discussion with Jim Bennett about the future of the Youth band.

Agenda:

Band CD's: There is only a few Jubilee CD's left, therefore it was discussed whether we should get some more. Joe Miles will contact Philip Littlemore to get some more, he also agreed to explore options of getting some more Fortunes fold CD's.

Musical Director: There was a recent discussion between the Chairman and musical director, whereby the musical director expressed a need to resign as our resident conductor, though he is happy to continue for the upcoming concerts. The Chairman proposed that we accept the resignation and instead of advertising for a resident conductor, explore options within the band first. Ian Lowe has expressed an interest in taking the band alongside a resident conductor. After learning this information it was decided that we would accept Steve's resignation, offer the position to

another conductor within the band and explore options of this individual working with Ian Lowe, it was also agreed to ask Ian Lowe if he would be interested in taking the band for the contest on 26th November.

Reorganisation of players: The committee has learned the Osborne family have decided to leave the band. However the committee have also learned that Kirsty has been asked to come back to play horn, Jill who currently plays on the back row has expressed an interest in joining the horn section, and Julie Woods has also expressed an interest in joining the band as a regular player, preferably to play horn. It was also discussed about exploring whether Steve would continue to play with the band and if so what position he would like; he could fill the flugel vacancy or take principle cornet. The Chairman will arrange the players reorganisation, he asked Joe to contact Julie Woods and offer a seat on the back row cornet section for the time being.

Other Business: