



Sherborne Town Band AGM

5TH November 2018

Present for meeting (apologies for any incorrect name spelling)

Steve Rogers, Andrea Rogers, Alan Griffiths, Ian Miles, Natalie Miles, Joe Miles, Sean Beechey, Richard Frost, Chris Barrett, David Bulgin, Julie Bulgin, Tim Watton, Stuart Hunter, John Derrick, Alan Derrick, Kevin Long, Viv Wilde, Paul Slater, Duncan

Late arrivals Helen Coombs, Mark Coombs, Clive Birchall, Bronco

Apologies Andrea Beechey, Kirsty Blencowe

Matters Arising

No matters arising, previous years minutes confirmed as a true record.

Reports from officers

- **Chairman's report**-see attached-John wishes to thank the committee for their continued support. High lighting that all members should actively seek future jobs for the band.
- **Musical Directors report**-see attached-Paul would like to thank Chris and Kev for support with the library and finding depts.
- **Presidents report**-see attached
- **Treasurers report**-see attached-Thank you to Andrea for continued support with finances and thanks to Lanham and Francis for auditing the bands books. Youth band still runs at a deficit but support from Sherborne primary school will hopefully boost number into 2019.

Special thanks to Stuart Butt and band wishes Stuart a speedy recovery, thanks to Andy P for stepping up to solo euph and for Colin Howle for supporting us.

Election of committee.

No one wished to stand for committee-All positions carried forward.

Chairman-John Derrick, **Vice chairman**-Joe Miles,

Secretary-Andrea Rogers, **Contest Secretary**-Sean Beechey, **Treasurer**-Andrea Beechey,

Supporting committee members-Kevin Long, Richard Frost, Alan Derrick, Ian Miles, Natalie Miles.

(Richard Would like to pass on a few duties but wishes to continue to support the band, our thanks go to Richard for his continued support)

Any other business

Discussion followed due to details from all reports.

Viv, Helen, -Issues raised through the Chairman's report as to standing down at contests to protect the position of the band from a ranking point of view. Not happy when parts are rewritten before we even get them. General direction of the band to be confirmed.

John -assured the members that all players are valued but at certain events, i.e. contesting, the band should go with its 'highest standard' of band, but also continue to work and support the varied abilities of all players, any player should be prepared to stand down.

Natalie-suggested where possible that more able players are mixed across the stands to create consistency.

Paul Slater -giving the back row a chance at front row to help improve playing experience.

Sean- Over the last few years the band has contested with players that are true to Sherborne Town Band and that the only players we have to source are percussionists.

Steve R-look at calendar and rehearse earlier, not so many jobs in a row, more practice at home.

Stuart- Like a football team, the conductor should pick its best squad.

John- Assured members again that all members are important, and this is not asking anybody to leave.

Steve-look at selling scrap old instruments to repair and refurbish main/youth band instruments.

John-Audit of instruments have been discussed in committee.

Sean/Stuart-Lottery funding and grants for replacement of basses to be investigated.

Kevin- Colin howle is helping while Stuart B is poorly-Thank you- Are thoughts are with Stuart B.

Julie B- Thanks to Joe for keeping everybody informed.

Richard- Will ask Sturminster Lions for funds/ concert jobs.

John-Meeting closed. See attached for reports.