

AGENDA FOR A COMMITTEE MEETING OF DRIFFIELD SILVER BAND TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY 2024 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, NAFFERTON, 6.00 PM

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MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE MEETING OF DRIFFIELD SILVER BAND HELD ON FRIDAY 16TH AUGUST 2024 AT THE BLUE BELL INN, NAFFERTON,

Apologies

Members Present P Kench, M Clark, H Gledhill, L Gledhill, M Kellett, M Buckton, M Naylor, F Trewartha, A Wilson.

Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Matters Arising

Cottingham Library- Still with the Secretary.

Former Vet-We are delighted to be presented with a cheque for £500 to be presented to the community Band (Formerly ERYBB). A photograph in recognition of the presentation will appear in the press.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer read out the current situation, around £9000 is held in the Bank with two payments still outstanding. The financial situation remains largely as this time last year.

Secretary's Report.

Amplifier/Speaker. The Secretary reported that he had replaced the main batteries in the amplifier/speaker and conducted some tests. The system however needs testing in situ during, say, a rehearsal, before being used in an open performance. In order to maintain the battery in condition for use(as opposed to stored flat after use) the Secretary offered to keep an eye upon it, and the MD would notify him when the equipment would need to be ready - either for rehearsal, or open performance.

CRB/DBS- Clearances were now up to date, apart from one member who, having offered his email to Hull City for clearance, has failed to follow up their request for further information. The Chairman would contact him, to clarify his intentions, as compliance with the CRB/DBS process is a condition of Band membership.

Band Matters

Uniform- Copies of the current uniform policy were circulated. It was agreed to modify them as follows-

Fully formal: (To be ratified with the membership first as they will need to individually fund this)

Black Tie- formal evening concerts

Men: Black Dinner Jacket, Black/white Bow tie. White shirt. Black formal trousers. Black socks. Black polishable shoes.

Ladies: black dress. Tights. Black polishable shoes. Coloured dress of blue or red for proms concert with MD approval.

Percussion Bases: as above but no jacket required. Optional black or white shirt.

Concert dress Band Jackets:

Men: green band jacket, White shirt. Black bow tie. Black trousers. Black socks. Black polishable shoes.

Women: Black dress. Tights. Black polishable shoes.

Percussion/ Bases: as above but no jacket required. Optional black or white shirt.

NB. Hot weather announcement made by MD or Band Sergeant (Via MD) “all jackets off”

Outdoor dress:

Black Shell jackets. White shirt, band tie, black trousers. Black polishable shoes.

Informal/ hot weather dress

10 piece: eg. Christmas Carols, 10 piece job. All: DSB polo shirt/DSB shell jacket, black trousers/black skirt (with tights), black polishable shoes.

Alternative: all black men or women.

Percussion / Bases: as above but no jacket required. Optional black or white shirt.

This would take effect from next year, giving members time to comply- it was pointed out that Asda is likely to stock white shirts etc in time for Christmas!

Departure from standard dress- It was emphasised that only the Musical Director could make this decision. The decision would be re-enforced by the Band Sargent. The MD would draw up a template which could be used by the Band Sargent to send to members who were seen to be in breach of the dress code.

Constitution of the Community Band-

Subs- It was confirmed that subs would not be expected from under 18s. However, all adult members would be expected to contribute.

AGMs- There was much discussion over whether there should be joint AGMs, or held separately. Further consideration would need to be given to this issue.

Funding -However, we would recommend that funding should be held separately, but maintenance/repairs should be shared proportionately.

Fire/Attendance documentation- There was some discussion over this, though its importance was not in question. It was decided that the Musical Director would set up a template which initially Helen Gledhill and Mark Naylor would complete, but the template would allow the document to be saved and then someone else could open it and continue filling it in. A record of attendance which should tally with subs would then be kept, ensuring that all adult members should contribute with no exceptions.

Job Descriptions-Additionally, we should define ‘job descriptions’ so that there should be no doubt as to ‘who does what’. Chair and MD would compile Terms of Reference for each position.

Any other Business

Last Night of the Proms(School)- B Hall offered to organise the Raffle at the School(Last Night of the Proms).

Birthday Celebrations – B Hall further asked that we take part in the celebrations of Shirley Franklin’s 100th Birthday, as she had supported so many of the Band’s activities over a lengthy period of years. We would send a group to play ‘Happy Birthday’ on 8th Oct, or if not possible due to work commitments (this being a Tuesday), the 19thOct(weekend).

Band History- A Wilson reported that she is preparing a history of the Band, which she hopes will be available in local libraries etc.

Date of Next Meeting

Friday to be agreed at the Village Hall, Nafferton at 6.00pm

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