

APPENDIX 5

NEW DIMENSION AGM 27TH FEBRUARY 2024

(Apologies I'm not here tonight but in Florida with family, so a bit too far!)

Secretary's Report

I'd like to thank you all for not getting frustrated by my many emails and thank you for your quick responses to any requests I make e.g. selling tickets, giving lifts, and letting me know if you can't make rehearsal etc. It really does make my job easier and helps things run smoothly.

We don't close for half term holidays but will close for one Tuesday over the Easter holidays so rehearsals will be closed on 2nd April.

How I book venues.

I try to book our venues for the whole year as soon as possible so you can hold dates.

Things I need to consider: We previously agreed not to hold concerts on consecutive days and to only do 3 concerts, and in addition Churches have certain days that they can't accommodate us. Therefore, I have no option but to book a Saturday followed by Friday and Sunday the following week and we generally prefer to finish at All Saints.

We had to postpone St. Chads performances in 2023 due to their planned extensive building work which I understand may still not be finished in time for our summer concerts. To fill our 3rd concert slot in 2023 Havering Road Methodist Church accommodated us and were very pleased with our performances and I think you'll all agree they were very accommodating and welcoming. They requested an afternoon concert Xmas 2023 which we were unable to offer so have offered one for Summer 2024.

Once St. Chads building work is complete, we will then have 4 churches wanting concerts, but only 3 performance dates. Therefore, I propose the following concert dates and trust St. Chads will be ready by Christmas.

I've already sent out dates for your diaries and I'll leave a printed sheet out when I'm back at rehearsals, so you don't need to make notes now, but here are the confirmed venues. **Summer Concert**

Saturday 29th June **AFTERNOON** 4-6pm - Havering Road Methodist Romford

Friday 5th July – Harold Wood Methodist

Sunday 7th July – All Saints, Ardleigh Green

Xmas Concert

Saturday 30th November - St. Chads, Chadwell Heath

Friday 6th December – Harold Wood Methodist

Sunday 8th December – All Saints, Ardleigh Green

Some members requested afternoon concerts, and Havering Road prefer them, but I know not everyone is so keen. To keep to 3 concerts and as only St. Chads and Havering Road's acceptable days are interchangeable, in future after discussion with the committee. I propose to book one afternoon concert per year by alternating these 2 churches and only book afternoon concerts at Havering Road. i.e. This year Havering Road will only hold a summer concert and St. Chads only have one at Xmas. Next year St. Chads will only have a summer concert and Havering Road will only have one at Xmas.

Afternoons concerts only at Havering Road i.e. Summer 2023

Xmas 2024

Passing on your information.

You signed the NDC Member Information sheet giving permission to share your contact details with committee or other choir members. Just to confirm I will use my common sense when passing info on. Only Committee members hold full information.

I have recently updated the member information sheet but please let me know any time you change any of the following info.

Email

Telephone

Emergency contact

Address

Thankyou Barbara