

Chair's Annual Report for AGM 9/10/21

What a year! At least the ongoing pandemic means that this Report is very short.

Although we had no rehearsals at all through the autumn, winter or spring, the committee did manage to keep things ticking over via Zoom.

We now look forward to a return to full rehearsals with our new Musical Director and Conductor Peter Stallworthy, who was appointed in March. Unfortunately, Caroline Hodgson, our usual accompanist, is not able to return at present, but we have managed to secure temporary replacements; please make them welcome.

As usual, there have been changes in committee membership and we are sad to lose Maureen James, our excellent secretary. Fortunately, Maureen has not left the choir, indeed she is now joining me on the front row in the Tenor section. I am also very pleased to confirm that Jan Sanders is now Membership Secretary and Julie Tonkin has taken over as Treasurer. Many thanks go to them both (and to Jean Cleadon and Elizabeth Harbord) for their hard work on our behalf.

Finally, I would make a plea to you all as we begin singing again, to publicise our wonderful choir throughout the year: recruiting new members and inviting all your family, friends and neighbours to support us in whatever way they can.

Joy Trotter

Chair