Kilmarnock Aeolian Male Voice Choir Annual General Meeting – Tuesday 17th March 2020 at 9.00pm

President: Derek McKay

Vice President: Al Grant

Secretary: Willie Wallace

Treasurer: Michael Struthers

Assistant Treasurer: Bill Caldwell

Patronage Secretary: Bill Caldwell

Librarian: Reg Short

General Choir Committee Members: Alec Clark, Alex Findlay, John Goodwin

Choir Secretary's Report

The male voice sound of the choir continued to be popular amongst church groups and charities raising fund for their particular aims. There were 5 of these concerts plus a very successful Christmas Concert and a very well received Annual Concert in March.

Choir membership continue to hold up well despite each year losing some members. This is a compliment to the enthusiasm which the choir displays at concerts, that others are tempted to give it a go and join up. Attracting younger members in their 50s or 60s or even younger remains a priority.

During the year we have lost 2 members to ill-health but have had 2 new members join plus the return of 1 member who had been absent long term due to work commitments.

This leaves us with a complement of 47 singers. The aim of the choir is to have a total membership register in the mid-50s, so that with occurrence of holidays or illness we would have 50 singers available.

The Musical Director of the choir is to retire at the end of this season and the services of his current Deputy have been secured as the new MD, and he and the committee will now seek to appoint a new accompanist.

Following the various financial changes made over the past two years, the choir is in a much stronger and stable position. Thanks must go to the Treasurer and Committee for urgently addressing the situation and taking corrective action.

William JC Wallace

Choir Secretary 16th March 2020